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TENSION IN CONGRESS SO HIGH BUSINESS IS VIRTUALLY BLOCKED

Result of Agitation for Action Warning Americans Off Armed Ships.

MR. WILSON OPPOSES IT

Believes He Would Only be Embarrassed in Negotiations With Germany.

Diplomatic Break Now Means War, He Believes.

Washington, Feb. 23. — Agitation in Congress for action warning Americans off armed ships of the European belligerents suddenly grew to such proportions today that the Democrats of the Foreign Relations committee voted to canvass the sentiment of the House on several pending resolutions of that nature.

Sentiment in the Senate in favor of some such action also was openly expressed, but at the end of a day of surprises, tension and agitation such as had not been seen in Congress in some time, the word came that President Wilson still was unalterably opposed to any such action by Congress, and believed that he would only be embarrassed thereby in the negotiations with Germany.

Nothing Determined Upon.

To widely circulated suggestions that the situation had reached a point where the President would lay it before Congress, that Secretary Lansing might in some way define the attitude of the government in a communication to Senator Stone and that a time had been fixed within which the United States would expect Germany to signify her intention to abandon the announced intention to sink armed merchant ships without warning, the uniform statement was made officially that nothing had been determined upon, and that the situation, though grave, still was a waiting one, that no final position would be announced until Berlin was heard from.

The sudden developments at the Capitol brought surprise and apprehension to the adminstration leaders. While confronted with the possibility of congressional interference, with all its grave aspects, ranging from a deflection from the administration policy to downright embarrassment of the President and the Secretary of State, the leaders were confident they would control the situation and leave the executive branch of the government free to carry on diplomatic negotiations with Germany.

At no time today did the question come out openly on the floor of either the House or the Senate, but about a score of congressmen who announced they were in favor of warning Americans even if it involved a repudiation of the adminstration policy, if thereby they thought war would be averted, kept both houses in a state of tension that practically blocked business.

All the demonstration was in the Democratic ranks and there was no open show of sentiment among the Republicans. It was indicated, however, that Republican Leader Mann sympathized with President Wilson's policy and that any outbreak would have to reckon with his forces.

President Realizes Gravity.

From apparently authentic sources came statements tonight that the President was determined that the dispute pending with Germany be settled without prolonged negotiations. He is known to believe, however, that the breaking off of diplomatic relations with Germany means war and there will be no undue haste in handing the situation involving such a possibility.

Developments are expected momentarily. Tomorrow may bring Germany's reply to the request of the United States made last week through Ambassador von Bernstorff for assurances that the notice of intention to sink armed merchantmen without warning after February 29 does not nullify previous pledges given in the Arabic and Lusitania negotiations.

Official advices from Berlin have indicated that Germany will reply that previous assurances will not be affected, but that they applied only to unarmed ships, and probably will ask the American government for its definition of defensive armament which may be carried by a merchantman without sacrificing its peaceful character.

State Department Waiting.

The State Department will take no action pending the receipt of this response and officials also are awaiting with interest the arrival of certain appendices to Germany's most recent declaration which are coming from Berlin by mail. Only six days remain, however, before the new order to submarine commanders goes into effect. There have been strong intimations that before the end of that time, the United States will inform Germany that merchant ships carrying arms for defense only are considered in the same

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NO ABATEMENT YET IN DETERMINATION

Asquith Says War Must Continue Without Compromise.

REITERATES STATEMENT

Replies to Member of Parliament Who Declares the Time is Ripe for Peace Negotiations—Gets Little Support.

London, Feb. 23.—Premier Asquith found himself unexpectedly face to face in the House of Commons today with a new demand for the government's views on peace. He took up the gauntlet almost eagerly and in a bristling 15-minute speech made it clear that the British government's determination to carry the war to the end without compromise had not abated a jot or tittle since the early days of the struggle.

The only terms of peace Premier Asquith offered to the enemy countries were contained in the historic announcement which was the outstanding feature of his speech at the London Guild Hall in November, 1914, which he repeated:

"We shall never sheathe the sword, which we have not lightly drawn, until Belgium—and, I will add, Serbia—recover in full measure all and more than they have sacrificed; until France is adequately secured against aggression; until the rights of the small nations of Europe are based upon an unassailable foundation and until the military domination of Prussia is wholly and finally destroyed."

The prime minister's stern declaration created a deep impression in all parts of the House and this found reflection subsequently in the lobbies.

The occasion for the premier's pronouncement was a speech which Philip Snowden, of the independent labor party, injected into the debate on the consolidated fund bill, a routine measure providing appropriations mainly for interest on the national debt.

Mr. Snowden urged that the time was ripe for peace negotiations, maintaining that there was little or no hope of a crushing victory on either side and if the war went on all the participants will be bankrupted in men and money.

Scorn of Speeches Follow.

Mr. Asquith's speech in reply was followed by a score of speeches, for the most part applauding the premier's position. Two or three so-called peace advocates supported Mr. Snowden, but found themselves scarcely tolerated by their audience. The only applause during any of the pro-peace speeches came from a spectator in the strangers' gallery, who was promptly ejected.

Stephen Walsh, for the labor party, denied that Mr. Snowden expressed the opinion of organized labor.

"The Allies cannot make peace overtures," he said, "while the tiger has its fangs in the vitals of Belgium, Serbia and Poland."

The House of Lords continued today the debate on the blockade. Baron Sydenham finally withdrew his motion for a stricter blockade after the Earl of Crewe, Lord President of the Council, had further clarified the government's position.

NORFOLK, PORTSMOUTH AND BERKLEY MACHINISTS TO STRIKE

For Higher Wages, Shorter Hours, Better Conditions—S. A. L. Exempted.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 23. — At a meeting of machinists from all machine shops in Norfolk, Portsmouth and Berkley, tonight, it was voted unanimously to inaugurate a general strike. The ballot was a secret one. The strike will become effective as soon as the general board in Washington passes on the question and plans for providing funds for the men while out of work. The machinists demand higher wages, shorter hours and better conditions.

The strike will affect all steamboat and ship repair plants in this section. The only places exempted from the strike order are the Norfolk navy yard, Seaboard Air Line, Norfolk-Southern, Virginian and Norfolk & Western railroads.

WILMINGTONIAN ESCAPES.

Bradley Dean Charges That Two Men in Hopewell Tried to Kill Him.

Hopewell, Va., Feb. 23.—Peter Peteross and Iras Senopolo were arrested last night on the charge of attempting to kill Bradley Dean, of Wilmington, N. C.

It is charged that the accused men, who operate a restaurant, saw Dean display a large roll of greenbacks while in a drug seore on Broadway. He was induced by one of them to come to the cookshop to play cards. He was escorted to the kitchen. There, Dean alleges, Peteross struck him over the head with a chair. He ran out. As he fled to the street, it is charged, Senopolo fired six shots at him from an automatic pistol. He was not wounded.

The shots attracted the police, and the two men were arrested.

The name of Bradley Dean does not appear in the Wilmington city directory and inquiry at the police station last night failed to disclose any information relative to such a person.

KOREA CALLED IN VAIN TO AMERICA

Being Oppressed and Invaded by the Japanese.

CORRESPONDENCE FILED

President Wilson Responds to Resolution by Senator Stone—Pacified Head of Hermit Kingdom Without Promises.

Washington, Feb. 23.—President Wilson sent to the Senate today, in response to Senator Stone's resolution, such portions of correspondence between the United States and Korea relating to Korea's occupation by Japan during the Russo-Japanese war as the President thought compatible with the public interest to make public at this time.

Most of the documents sent to the Senate consisted of dispatches already printed in the volumes of foreign relations of the United States. There were, however, some hitherto unpublished communications. The first of these was a statement on January 21, 1904, from Min Hui Cho, of the Korean legation in Washington, notifying the United States that his government had taken firm resolution to observe the strictest neutrality regardless of the results of the pending peace conferences between Russia and Japan.

Dispatches from Horace N. Allen, representing the United States in Korea, told of the advance of the Japanese military forces into Korea. On February 18, Mr. Allen informed the State Department that Japanese forces occupied the Korean barracks at Seoul and the vacant imperial palace, and stated that the "head of the government of Korea is very anxious to secure the assistance of the United States. I have pacified him without any promises and refused asylum."

On February 23 Secretary Hay cabled Mr. Allen: "You will observe absolute neutrality."

Allen then made this report:

Allen Makes Report.

"All these matters (diplomatic pressure in regard to various concessions) are naturally of serious concern to the Korean emperor. He falls back in his extremity upon his old friendship with America. It is my endeavor to sooth him all I can, at the same time pointing out to him how the course of his government during the past few years could not well lead to any other result than something like the alliance. I have not encouraged him to send as high an official as minister to Washington in order to invoke the good offices of the United States, as it seems to me that would only be an embarrassment.

"At the same time, I may as well inform you that the emperor confidently expects America will do something for him at the close of this war, or when opportunity offers, to retain for him as much of his independence as possible. I am obliged to assure his majesty that the condition of Korea is borne in mind by the United States government, who

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BULGARIA DETERMINED TO WIPE OUT SERBIA?

Opposed to Americans Lending Aid to Suffering?

Richard Schellens Reiterates Declaration Denounced by American Physicians in Serbia as Falsehood, Says Berlin Report.

New York, Feb. 23.—Richard Schellens, of Groton, Conn., who has been serving in Serbia, as a member of Lady Paget's relief commission, arrived here today on the steamship Tuscania from Liverpool and in the face of denials from Berlin contained in today's dispatches reiterated charges he made in London on February 2nd that the Bulgarians were opposed to having Americans aid Serbian refugees in Macedonia. He declared it was evident Bulgaria was determined to exterminate Serbia as a nation.

Mr. Schellens declared opposition of Bulgarians to relief work was on a plea of military necessity. He said he and four members of the American Sanitary commission were held in Uskub for eighteen days when the Bulgars occupied that city and were permitted to enter Macedonia with supplies only after pressure had been brought to bear on Bulgaria by Austria and Turkey.

"We were asked by the Bulgarians to turn what supplies we had over to their relief committee for distribution," said Mr. Schellens. "This we declined to do for we felt assured they would never reach the starving refugees. Bulgarians appeared determined to finish up the work of destroying Serbia by starving, if necessary, the people who were not killed in battle."

DENOUNCED AS FALSE.

Americans in Serbia Issue Statement Denying Declaration.

Berlin, Feb. 23.—(By wireless).—"Advices from Sofia state that a letter has been issued to the Bulgarian press by American physicians attached to the

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WILL NOT DISCUSS NATION'S DANGER IN 'OPEN' SESSION

Naval Committee is to Hear Admiral Badger Behind Closed Doors Today.

ON NAVY BOARD'S VIEWS

Says With Canal Closed, a Fleet for Either Ocean is Needed to Protect.

Washington, Feb. 23.—International considerations which moved the Navy General Board to change its time-honored policy last year and declare that the United States navy should equal the strongest afloat by not later than 1925, will be disclosed to the House Naval committee tomorrow in executive session by Rear Admiral Charles J. Badger, a member of the board. Examination of Admiral Badger in open session was concluded today, the admiral consistently refusing to discuss except behind closed doors the board's views of dangers that may confront the Nation.

Representative Stephens, of California, seeking to show that the Pacific coast was inadequately defended, today asked if the board in altering its policy did not have in mind the possibility that the country might have to face simultaneously enemies in the Pacific and Atlantic oceans.

Admiral Badger said he could answer that only in executive session, but he explained that a fleet capable of dominating the Pacific ocean was the only sure protection for the Pacific coast, and said that the earth slides in the Panama canal had made impossible for the present, and possibly for another year, the use of the fleet in either ocean. Further discussion of the canal closure also was deferred to the closed session.

No Fear as to Britain.

Admiral Badger expressed the opinion that should the United States adopt a two-power standard navy, such as recommended by the general board, Great Britain would not alter her rate of construction at least until the gap between the two fleets had been materially reduced. Earlier in his testimony he had said he did not consider war with Great Britain even a remote possibility.

Replying to a question by Representative Callaway, the admiral said that in framing the $285,000,000 building programme it first proposed under its new policy, the board had been going on the theory that it was necessary to get as many big ships as possible added to the fleet in the shortest time the country's building facilities would permit.

"Do you think we have the same reason for desiring supremacy of the sea that England has?" Representative Callaway asked.

"Not at present, perhaps," the witness replied, "but eventually anybody who stood in the way of our getting a fair deal would have to be dealt with."

Repudiates Suggestion.

Admiral Badger repudiated a suggestion that military men viewed all international problems from the standpoint of force while statesmen looked upon force and diplomacy as equal arms of government.

"Ultimately, however, he added, "diplomacy depends on force. When diplomacy fails, it must either abandon its object or call in force."

Representative Britten asked if the general board had not made a recommendation in 1914, which Secretary Daniels had refused to make public unless its remarks as to personnel in the navy were stricken out. Prefacing his reply with the statement that Secretary Daniels was the first secretary to make public the board's recommendations in full, and that they were regarded as for the confidential use of the secretary only in navy regulation, Admiral Badger said:

Daniels Incident Magnified.

"I think much more has been made of that incident than is justified." He explained that the board had made a general recommendation as to personnel, amplified with statistical tables to show its effect. When an ex-officio member of the board later suggested that the secretary was disinclined to publish the statistical part of the recommendations, these had been stricken out. There was no suggestion, he added, of an attempt by the secretary to force the board to alter its statements.

Representative Callaway produced a calculation which he said had been made for him by a navy officer, comparing the gun power of the American and German fleets. By these figures, he said, the American fleet in guns above the 5-inch had a total muzzle

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THE DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at noon.

Resumed discussion of Shields water-power bill.

Foreign Relations committee recommended confirmation of Henry Prather Fletcher as ambassador to Mexico.

Brandeis investigating committee received new charges.

Recessed at 5:40 P. M. to noon Thursday.

HOUSE

Met at noon.

Admiral Winslow testified on National defense before the Naval committee.

McKellar bill for military colleges favorably reported.

Adjourned at 5:02 P. M. to noon Thursday.

NEW AND NOVEL IS JUDGE'S DECISION

In Government's Suit Against American Can Company.

BY FEDERAL JUDGE ROSE

Declines Either to Issue a Decree of Dissolution or to Dismiss the Case Brought Under Sherman Anti-Trust Law.

Baltimore, Feb 23—Federal Judge Rose, in an opinion said to be unique in American jurisprudence, today retained jurisdiction in the government's suit against the American Can Company under the Sherman anti-trust law, declining either to enter a decree of dissolution or to dismiss the case. The court announced that although it had found the company was illegally formed and still was existing under the powers thereby granted, it doubted the value of a dissolution at this time.

However, the right was reserved for the government to ask further remedy if there should be a renewal of monopolistic or restraint of trade practices. The company, the court held, had not been guilty of vicious practices within the last few years, but some of the government's charges of unfair practices in the past were sustained.

Judge Rose held, however, that he would take the course indicated unless one or the other parties insisted on his entering such a final decree as will enable them to seek at once review by a higher tribunal. "If either of them do," he said, in conclusion, "I am not prepared now to say that they will not be within their rights and that it will not be my duty to do what they ask. That question is reserved until the occasion for deciding it shall arise."

Frankly Reluctant.

Before announcing his conclusion, Judge Rose stated that he was "frankly reluctant to destroy so finely adjusted an industrial machine as the record shows defendant to be. Yet the government, too, has its rights and has thus far been properly insistent upon them.

"The government recognizes that the situation which existed before defendant was formed cannot be restored. What it principally fears is that the defendant will, to the public prejudice, hereafter dangerously use the strength which it gained by its original law-breaking. * *

"If this petition be dismissed upon its merits and without qualification, defendant might be entitled to claim, in any future proceeding that nothing herein at issue may be there used against it. Nor would a dismissal without prejudice altogether meet the case."

Judge Rose's decision is an entirely new and novel one. United States law officers said it was the first of its kind in a case of this nature ever rendered.

The government's bill of complaint, filed in Baltimore nearly two years ago, charged the American Can Company and its officers with violating the Sherman law by absorbing competitors and can-making machinery concerns, fixing prices and driving independent manufacturers out of the field.

CHARGED WITH BRUTAL MURDER OF HIS WIFE

Burke County Man is Being Trailed by Bloodhounds.

Charles A. Mace Alleged to Have Broken Wife's Bones and Lacerated Her Body—Capture is Hourly Expected.

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 23,—Trailed by a sheriff's posse with bloodhounds, and with a price of $500 on his head, Charlie A. Mace, charged with the murder of his wife last night at their home, eight miles from Morganton, this State, is believed to be hiding in the mountains behind Morganton and his capture is hourly expected.

The murder is said to have been an unusually brutal one, the dead woman being found by the sheriff of Burke county early this morning, with her right arm broken, her body severely lacerated and a bullet hole in the right side of her head which had been plugged with dough taken from a pan in which she had been preparing bread.

The sheriff and his assistants while searching the house found a blockading outfit in which the mash was fermenting. The two children of Mace say that their father and mother had quarreled, and that the father drove them from the house during the quarrel. They took refuge in a neighbor's house.

GERMANY FILES OBJECTION.

Makes Representation Against Court Proceeding in Appam Case.

Washington, Feb. 23. — Formal representations were made to the State Department today by the German embassy against the proceedings brought in the Federal courts at Norfolk to return the captured British liner to her owners.

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GERMAN RAIDER'S WORK CONTINUES

Prize Crew Brings British Steamer Into Teneriffe.

206 PRISONERS ABOARD

Taken from Five British and One Belgian Vessel Captured at Sea.—Officer Believed to be from the Moewe.

London, Feb. 23.—A dispatch received from Santa Cruz, Teneriffe, Canary Islands, says the British steamer Westburn has put in there for repairs flying the German flag and with a prize crew of seven men and one officer. The officer is believed to belong to the German raider Moewe.

In addition to her own crew, there are 206 prisoners taken from various British vessels on the Westburn. The Westburn left Liverpool January 21 for Buenos Aires.

The Westburn is a vessel of 3,300 tons. She was built in 1893 and is owned by J. Westall, of Sunderland. The prisoners on board came from the British steamers Flamenco, Horace Clan Mactavish and Cambridge, the British bark Edinburgh and the Belgian steamer Luxembourg.

The Westburn, after her departure from Liverpool, was last reported as passing St. Vincent, Cape Verde, February 4. The Flamenco left Newport, England, for Valparaiso, January 21 and the Horace left Buenos Aires January 26 for Liverpool. The Luxembourg was on a voyage from Newport for Buenos Aires, having departed for the South American port January 18. The bark Edinburgh sailed from Rangoon, India, September 22, for Liverpool. The Luxembourg and the Flamenco had been placed on the over-due list.

The Cambridge cannot be identified.

The fact that the steamer Westburn has among the prisoners on board men from the British steamer Clan Mactavish, which was sunk after an exciting battle by the German raider Moewe off the coast of Africa in January, seemingly would indicate that the Flamenco, Horace, Edinburg and Luxembourg had met a similar fate.

The Moewe, which captured the British South African liner Appam, which later was taken into Hampton Roads by a German prize crew in addition to disposing of the Clan MacTavish destroyed six other steamers, the Corbridge, which probably is the Cambridge referred to in the London dispatch; Trader, Author, Ariadne, Drumonby and Farringford.

The Luxembourg and the Flamenco are the largest of the vessels mentioned in the London dispatch. Both of them carry passengers. The Flamenco, which belongs to the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, was a vessel of 4,500 tons, and the Luxembourg, owned by the Belgium National Transportation Company, of Antwerp, displaced 4,332 gross tons. The Flamenco was built in 1906 and the Luxembourg in 1908.

The Horace, which was built in 1895, was a vessel of 3,335 tons and belonged to the Liverpool, Brazil & River Platte Steam Navigation Company. The Corbridge is owned by the Corbridge Steamship Company, of Cardiff, and was a vessel of 3,687 tons.

The Edinburg was a three-masted bark of 1,473 tons. She was built in 1885. Her home port was London.

JEAN CRONES IN LETTER THREATENS RICHMOND POLICE

Says He is in Virginia Capital, and will "Make Hell."

Richmond, Va., Feb. 23. — Police Chief Werner today received the following letter (literal copy):

"Richmond, Va., February 20.

"Dear Chief of Police, Richmond, Va.

"I am here and I am going to make hell for you and your police. I left New York midnight Sat. I was talking with a police today. He no me not.

"Well, so long.

(Signed) "JEAN CRONES,
"North St., City."

Bishop D. J. O'Connell, of Richmond, who was among the guests at the banquet to Archbishop Mundelein, when Crones is believed to have poisoned the soup, was notified, but refused guards.

Galveston, Texas, Feb. 23.—The United States army transport Kilpatrick sailed for Cristobal today with the first squadron of the 12th cavalry regiment on board. The troops have been assigned to duty on the Panama canal zone. A detachment of 120 enlisted men from the 23rd Infantry, left today for San Francisco, from which place they will go to China for service with the 15th Infantry.

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 23.—Coroner Eli Mix tonight had virtually completed his secret investigation of the wreck on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad at Milford yesterday in which 10 persons lost their lives and more than 40 were injured. The coroner indicated that he might announce his finding tomorrow.

Parts of Seven Army Corps are Battling With French Defending Forces.

INTENSITY INCREASES

Teutons Claim Important Advances, Which to Some Extent Are Admitted.

No Late Advices Received of the Caucasus.

Troops belonging to seven German army corps, under Crown Prince Frederick William, are engaged along a 25-mile front north of Verdun, in a desperate effort to drive back the French defending forces, probably with the capture of the great fortress of Verdun in view.

There had been very heavy fighting for a considerable period in this district of the French war zone, but within the last few days the attacks of the Germans have taken on added strength. The battle line has been extended and now reaches from Malancourt on the west to Etain on the east, with Verdun in the center, only a few miles southward.

Important Advances Claimed.

The Germans claim to have made important advances, and to some extent these are admitted by the French war office, which describes the battle as one of increasing intensity.

The German preparations were extensive, and the bombardment of the French positions with thousands of shells was uninterrupted. As the French had foreseen this battle, all their available guns were called into action and responded in kind to the heavy shelling of the Germans.

While at some points the French were unable to resist the onslaught of the attacking forces along much of the front, according to the Paris communication, the attacks were well sustained and very heavy losses were inflicted on the Germans.

Another British steamer, the Westburn, has put into port flying the German flag and with a German prize crew aboard. The vessel has reached Santa Cruz, Teneriffe. She has on board 206 prisoners taken from various vessels which have been sunk by German raiders.

In the British Parliament Premier Asquith, in reply to questions concerning the possibility of peace, reiterated his former pronouncement that there would be no peace until conditions previously set down were met. These included the "restoration of Belgium and Serbia and the overthrow of Prussian militarism."

While President Wilson is declared to be unalterably opposed to any action by Congress with respect to warning Americans off armed merchantmen of the belligerent nations of Europe, again in Congress sentiment in this direction has grown to marked proportions, and Washington advices say that the Democrats of the Foreign Affairs committee have voted to canvass the sentiment of the House on several pending resolutions bearing on that question.

The administration leaders, at Washington, it is further declared, are confident that they will be able to control the situation so that the executive branch of the government may be free to carry on diplomatic negotiations with Germany.

No late advices have been received from the Caucasus, where the Russians are continuing their pursuit of the retreating Turks.

INTENSE INTEREST IN BATTLE.

Believed to be Forerunner of Perhaps Decisive Events.

Paris, Feb. 24 — The great battle raging along the 25-mile front from Etain to Malancourt, north and east of Verdun, is being followed with the most intense interest by the public. It disposes effectively of the question whether or not the Germans would make an early offensive. The battle is the first on a large scale since the offensive in the Champagne in September, and is believed to be the forerunner of stirring and perhaps decisive events.

The principal fighting centers in the rough and thickly wooded country between Etain and Damvillers. Here some 300,000 of the German crown prince's best infantry are trying to wrest from the French important roads which would enable them to make their way through to the Meuse. The battle as yet is only beginning, but it is said already to have cost the assailants of the French heavy casualties and without any appreciable advantage having been attained.

The Germans have been making preparations for a big stroke at Verdun, so openly during the past month that the French had every chance to get ready for them. The attacks up to the present only involve the advanced lines, which are at least two miles beyond the outer defenses of the fortress.

Military opinion here is inclined to doubt that the Germans will attempt

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FILE NEW CHARGES AGAINST BRANDEIS

Allege Employment by Harriman in Illinois Central Fight.

AUSTEN G. FOX TALKS

Tells of Brandeis' Relations to Equitable Insurance Society and Alleged Activity in Securing Proxies for Harriman.

Washington, Feb. 23.—New charges alleging employment of Louis D. Brandeis by E. H. Harriman to obtain proxies in the celebrated fight for control of the Illinois Central railroad and Mr. Brandeis' relations to the Equitable Life Assurance Society were filed today with the Senate committee considering Mr. Brandeis' nomination for the Supreme Court.

Austen G. Fox, a New York attorney in charge of presenting evidence for those opposed to the confirmation of Mr. Brandeis, laid the new charges before the committee and summarized what he expected to prove by witnesses.

In 1907, he said, when E. H. Harriman was fighting Stuyvesant Fish for control of the Illinois Central, Sullivan and Cromwell, Harriman's attorneys, sent Waddell Catchings to Boston to employ Brandeis, Dunbar & Nutter to secure proxies from Illinois Central stockholders in New England to be voted against Fish.

In 1908, said Mr. Fox, Mr. Brandeis, in answer to a charge made before the Massachusetts executive committee on railroads, denied he or any member of his firm had ever acted for Mr. Harriman except as follows:

Brandeis' Denial.

"On November 22, 1907, a representative of the firm of Sullivan & Cromwell, of New York, for whom we have acted from time to time for nearly 15 years, requested my partner, Mr. Nutter, to aid him in connection with obtaining proxies for the annual meeting of the Illinois Central. Mr. Nutter, in thep resence of Sullivan & Cromwell's representative, asked me on that day whether there was anything in my merger fight which should prevent his acting in that matter and I told him none whatever—that so far as I knew Mr. Harriman had no interest of any kind in the merger question.

"Mr. Nutter did act for Messrs. Sullivan & Cromwell and either he or persons employed by him solicited in the most open manner, during the course of several months, proxies—applying among others to many gentlemen who were known to be most actively in favor of the merger."

Mr. Brandeis, in his book, "Other People's Money, and How the Bankers Use It," Mr. Fox said, attacked Harriman and quoted from the opinion of Commissioner Lane, then of the Interstate Commerce Commission, telling of Mr. Harriman's interest in various roads.

As to the Equitable Life Assurance Society, Fox said that during the insurance disclosures in New York in 1904 and 1905, Mr. Brandeis was retained as counsel by a protective committee of policy holders. Before the Commercial Club of Boston on October 26, 1905, Fox declared, Mr. Brandeis accused officers of the Equitable of breach of trust, payment of exorbitant salaries and commissions, illegal participation in syndicate profits, falsification of books, dishonesty and perversion of trust funds.

When, in 1906, George C. Peters sued the Equitable for an accounting and distribution of its reserve assets, Fox told the committee he would show that Brandeis, Dunbar & Nutter appeared for the Equitable, that when the plaintiff amended the complaint setting forth substantially that Mr. Brandeis had said in his speech before the commercial club, a demurrer was filed but overruled and an appeal was taken by Brandeis, Dunbar & Nutter to the supreme court of Massachusetts, where the decision of the lower court was affirmed. The case finally was dismissed.

Other charges by Mr. Fox concluded an alleged connection of Mr. Brandeis with twb suits brought in 1906 against the Gillette Safety Razor Company.

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to carry Verdun by storm. It is pointed out that besides the formidable works of the fortress it is further protected by a field army under command of General Humbert, an exceptionally energetic officer. The prevailing view is that the Germans are feeling the strength of the defenses and that the resistance they meet with may discourage them from proceeding to try to take the citadel by force, even with the help of their greatest guns.

"VERY IMPORTANT ACTION."

Battle Near Verdun Continues With Increasing Intensity.

Paris, via London, Feb. 24.—In the region north of Verdun the German attack "developed into a very important action, for which powerful preparations were made," says the official communication issued by the war office tonight.

"The battle continued today with increasing intensity," it reads, "and energetically withstood by our troops, who inflicted extremely heavy losses on the enemy. The bombardment with shells of heavy calibre was uninterrupted, and our artillery responded with equal violence. It extended along a front of nearly forty kilometres (25 miles) from Malancourt as far as the region opposite Etain .

"The actions of the German infantry were carried out by very heavy effectives, comprising troops of seven different army corps, who followed each other during the course of the day between Bradant-Sur-Meuse and Ormes."

THE HEALTH OF KINGS

Physical Condition of Monarchs Always Source of False Accounts

(Louisville Courier-Journal.)

If there is one subject above others concerning which the public gets false accounts it is the physical condition of monarchs. The news that "it is declared." "asserted." "believed," etc., that the German Emperor is suffering from a "deep-seated affliction of which the eruption and throat trouble are but symptoms" is typical.

The habit of representing crowned heads as so suffering is old. For 25 or 30 years both Edward VII of Great Britain, and Leopold of Belgium, were constantly represented in public prints as being walking exhibits of the results of immoral lives. The English monarch lived as long as a majority of men whose situation, with regard to financial ability to secure good nourishment and medical attendance, is in favor of longevity. The Belgian monarch enjoyed an exceptionally long life and had good health for many years after he had been widely depicted as being in a frightful condition. It has been the fashion among writers for English magazines and for newspapers of all countries, for a generation, to discuss the Kaiser as the inheritor of constitutional disease. He was described at least 20 years ago in British publications as being in a precarious state of physical health, and as being actually insane, a sufferer from a type of mental affliction, well known and clearly defined, which would soon put him in a madhouse or the grave.

IN THE REALM OF SPORTS

HARTLEY AND HANSON TRAINING FOR MATCH

Both Wrestlers in Good Shape For Return Bout Friday Night.

Fritz Hanson and Herbert Hartley are training daily for their return match Friday night, when the former hopes to repeat his victory of last Friday night, while the little Englishman hopes to redeem his defeat at the hands of the local man.

The match for Friday night is to be two falls out of three to a finish, with only the strangle hold barred, and the men are to weigh in at 148 stripped. This will give Hartley some little advantage, as compared to the match last week, when Hanson failed to make 148. This time there is a $100 forfeit on the weight question, and Hanson's friends say that he will have no trouble in making the weight. In fact, several well posted fans went so far as to state last night that he is aready down to less than 148.

Most of the local fans look for Hanson to repeat his victory of last week, though some believe that at even weight Hartley will be able to win from the Swede.

At any event, though, the bout will be one of the most interesting to be seen here, for both grapplers are past masters at the mat game, and at 148 pounds they should put up one of the prettiest exhibitions ever seen here.

BASKETBALL AT BRIGADE.

Regular Thursday League Games Tonight at Boys' Brigade.

The regular Thursday League basketball games will be played tonight at the Boys' Brigade armory, beginning at 8 o'clock. The second series is now half over and all teams are going at a good pace except the Seminoles, who have stuck to the cellar in spite of some mighty good ball playing. It will be remembered they had to play an extra five minutes on a tie game with the strong Dodgers team, champions of the first series, and lost the game by one or two points. The Seminoles meet the Braves tonight and a fast game may be looked for.

Both of these teams are at a better advantage now than in the fall series, because they have a line-up that has been working steadily together instead of losing a man every week or two. In the first game tonight the husky Reds and Dodgers will measure strength and skill. While the Dodgers are playing the same swift game they're used to, the Reds are playing a better game all the time, having finished the first series a close second to the pennant winners.

There were no games last Thursday on account of the Lyceum number at the Brigade, and there will doubtless be a good sized crowd of spectators back tonight to watch the fortunes of their favorite teams. The public is cordially invited to attend the games, which will begin at 8 o'clock.

TO BE ANNOUNCED FRIDAY.

Arrangements Agreed Upon for Army-Navy Football Game.

New York, Feb. 23.—Representatives of the athletic associations of West Point and Annapolis met here today to consider arrangements for the Army and Navy football game scheduled for November 25 of this year. The interesting question was where the game would be held. It was announced that such arrangements as had been agreed upon would be announced simultaneously at West Point and Annapolis on Friday.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 23.—Tommy McMillan, shortstop, was sold today to the Richmond International League club, by the Indianapolis American Association club. McMillan formerly played with the Brooklyn Nationals.

TRINITY DEFEATS A. & M. IN BASKETBALL AT DURHAM.

Contest Was Slow But None the Less Interesting

Durham, North Carolina, Feb. 23.—In a rather slow but none the less interesting game, Trinity defeated A. & M. here tonight by the score of 31 to 22. The teams were well matched, but Trinity was somewhat more accurate in goal shooting and more effective in passing.

With two field goals and nine foul goals out of 13 chances, Martin led the scoring for Trinity and held his opponent to one goal. Ferrell was fast, effective in passing, and scored five field goals. Bunting was good on the jump and pocketed the ball twice. Lindsay led the scoring for A. & M. with eight oful goals out of 15 chances and one field goal. Mason held his opponent to one field goal and scored three himself.

The line-up:

Trinity.		A. & M.
Ferrell	RF	Temple
Anderson	LF	Sullivan
Bunting	C	Lindsay
Patton	RG	Mason (c)
Martin (c)	LG	Johnson

Referee, Chick Doak, of Carolina. Time of halves, 20 minutes.

THROWS MONTANA TWICE.

Kaiser Takes Two Consecutive Falls in Bout at Raleigh.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 23.—Charles Kaiser threw "Bull" Montana two consecutive falls tonight in a wrestling match—first in 20 minues, with crotch and foot-lock, and second, in ten minutes, with inside clutch and body hold.

Raymond and Ralph Andrews, twins, had a preliminary wrestle, Ralph winning two of three falls.

BIBLE SALES FLOURISH

Good Book, in Forty-Odd Languages, Has Wide Distribution.

(From the Christian Work)

Since the war began the Bible Society has supplied somewhere about 2,000,000 Scriptures to fighting men, prisoners, wounded, interned civilians and refugees, and during that time the ordinary work has proceeded, the latest ventures of the committee being the opening of a depot in Abyssinia and the fitting up of a floating Bible house to serve the 50,000 miles of the great Amazon water system in South America.

The Rev. Mr. Ritson, secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, says: "In my experience there has never been a time when people have taken to the Bible as they are doing now, and that interest is worldwide. At the present time we are selling—not giving away, be it remembered—more Scriptures in Chinese than in English."

THE ten great Nitrogen Lamps, 1,000 candle power each, recently erected at the corner of Front and Princess streets, will be turned on tonight for the first time at half past six o'clock.

They will for.n the "Electric Center" of the City of Wilmington, and a brilliant gateway for the happy throngs going this season to "Lumina."

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$32.50 Suits	$27.00	$21.00 Suits	$17.00
$27.50 Suits	$22.50	$20.00 Suits	$16.00
$25.00 Suits	$20.50	$18.00 Suits	$14.00
$23.50 Suits	$19.50	$16.50 Suits	$13.00
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OFFICERS AND MEN OF AMERICAN LEGION TO FIGHT FOR CANADA.

Above are the officers and below a few of the men of the American Legion, now 1,400 strong, all citizens of the United States, who have enlisted in Canada for the war in Europe. The men are now in training at Toronto. It is expected that the legion will soon be 5,000 strong. Then it will go to the trenches in France. Citizens of the United States who want to fight are welcomed to the legion.

DEVELOP DEPOSITS OF LIMESTONE AND MARL

One of Purposes of Geological Survey for This Year

Dr. Pratt Makes Gratifying Report at Annual Meeting—Three Forest Fire Districts Established—Raleigh News.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 23.—The State Board of Geological Survey, in annual session today, received report from State Geologist Joseph Hyde Pratt showing that under the special 1913 act of the Legislature and in co-operation with the Federal government under the Weeks act, three districts for forest fire prevention have been established and are fully organized to protect the forests from the spring fires which usually get under way with destructive results about March 1.

The districts are Mount Mitchell district, embracing portions of Mitchell, Burke, McDowell and Yancey; the Tryon district, embracing portions of Polk county, and Linville district, consisting of portions of Watauga, Avery and Caldwell counties. This work is being done without State appropriation, there being $2,000 obtained from the Federal division, $2,000 taken from the Geological Survey fund and a considerable private subscription. The board believes a start has been made that will bring about very thorough protection for the forest assets of the State as rapidly as the service can be be extended.

The board considered the gold deposits of the State, receiving report of the commercial value of the deeper deposits of gold ores in the Carolina gold belt, which extends across Mecklenburg, Guilford, Rowan, Cabarrus, Randolph, and Montgomery counties. Investigations and exploitations that are expected to bring these deposits under successful commercial development are to be prosecuted during the next year under the direction of State Geologist Pratt.

The board took steps to more fully investigate and exploit the magnetic iron deposits in Ashe county during the coming year, the report of Dr. Pratt showing that a large steel corporation is already making special investigation with a view of undertaking the development of the deposits.

The board determined to continue and extend its co-operation with the State Highway Commission in the matter of road building and maintenance.

The lime stone and marl deposits in East Carolina and the mica and other mineral deposits of Western Carolina are to have special exploitation the coming year. The Geological board consists of Governor Craig, F. R. Hewett, Asheville; H. E. Fries, Winston-Salem; J. H. Hill, Durham; Hugh McRae, Wilmington.

Reward for David Evans.

Governor Craig offered a reward on the part of the State today of $100 for the capture of David Evans, the negro convict who killed Guard Joseph McLawhorn at the Pitt county convict camp near Greenville a week ago by crushing his skull with a pick axe, seven convicts getting away as the result of the attack on the guard. A similar reward has been offered by the Pitt county authorities who are convinced that the negro has fled the State.

Three new North Carolina corporations were chartered today as follows:

The Southern Structural Steel Corporation, of Burlington, capital $50,000 authorized and $5,000 subscribed by R. W. and M. G. Curtis, of Burlington; J. W. Young, of Durham, for a general engineering, drafting and contractin business.

The Fayetteville City Grocery Co., of Fayetteville, capital $3,000 authorized and $1,000 subscribed by E. J. and Nettie Hall and F. M. Harris.

The Rhyne Drug Co., of Gastonia, capital $5,000 authorized and $2,500 subscribed by D. P. Rhodes, Lincolnton; C. L. Rhyne and Paul Rhodes, of Gastonia.

"Safety First" Convention.

Commissioner of Insurance James R. Young, Commission of Labor and Printing M. L. Shipman and Secretary W. S. Rankin, of the State Board of Health, are representing the State in the Safety First convention being held this week in Washington.

Representatives of the State Department of Agriculture and Education are just back from Brick Schoolhouse in Edgecombe county, near Enfield, where they participated in a big farmers' conference and school industrial exhibit for negroes of that section that proved exceptionally successful. N. C. Newbold represented the Department of Education and T. B. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hutt the Department of Agriculture, and Mrs. W. R. Hollowell the fire prevention division of the Department of Insurance. In all sections of the State conferences of the kind for the schools generally, white and colored, are coming into great public favor and usefulness.

WILL BE SENT HOME.

Thought Complete Identification McNeeley's Body Can Be Made.

Monroe, N. C., Feb. 23.—W. R. McNeeley, brother of Consul Ney McNeeley, who lost his life on the Persia, has received a letter from Secretary of State Lansing stating that if the body found at Alexandria tallied with the description sent to the department, the body would be brought home. Description of certain dental work, which Mr. McNeeley had done before he left here, was wired to the Secretary and it is thought by means of it the identity of the body can be ascertained beyond a doubt.

Mr. McNeeley has also received a letter from the vice consul at Aden saying that in response to directions from the State Department at Washington, the United States flag over the consulate was lowered to half-mast in honor of Consul McNeeley, who was on his way to take charge of the consulate. The consulates at Aden of Italy, France, Russia, Belgium, Holland, Spain and Portugal also lowered their National flags to half-mast at the same time in honor of Mr. McNeeley.

London, Feb. 22. — The Danish steamer Bergenhus, from Copenhagen for Liverpool, which yesterday was reported taken into Stettin by a German armed tr..wler, has been liberated and has left Swinemunde for Liverpool, according to an Exchange Telegraph Company dispatch from Copenhagen. "The cargo of the Bergenhus was untouched," adds the dispatch, "although the Germans urgently needed the bulk of it."

Black Mountain To Be Big Music Center

SINGING OF ORATORIOS BY CHOIR OF 2,000 VOICES DIRECTED BY DAMROSCH OPENING EVENT. GREAT BUILDING PLANNED.

Blackmountain, N. C., Feb. 23.—Stockholders of the National Festive Club of America met here today and organized under a charter by the State, with Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, of the United States Court of Appeals, as president. Walter Damrosch, of New York, is head of the musical organization, the purpose of which is to build at this place an auditorium similar to that built at Balreath by the king of Bavaria for Wagner, only it will be much larger.

The auditorium will be of granite, reinforced concrete and steel, will seat 21,500 people and will cost $200,000. Louis H. Asbury, architect, of Charlotte, was instructed to place the contract so as to have the building ready for the opening event August 15, with the singing of oratorios by a choir of 2,000 voices, under the direction of Damrosch.

The autorium will be the center of the great church playgrounds of the Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, Episcopalian and other denominations, already established here. It will be a national affair and will be particfpated in by music-loving people from all parts of the world. On the board of advisors are prominent men from all parts of the United States, with Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern Railway, chairman.

FLETCHER'S NOMINATION GIVEN FAVORABLE REPORT

Will Come Up in Executive Session of Senate Today.

Washington, Reb. 23.—President Wilson's nomination of Henry Prather Fletcher as ambassador to Mexico, opposed by some Republican senators who insisted that the time is not ripe for assignment of a diplomatic representative to the Carranza government, was favorably reported to the Senate today by the Foreign Relations committee. It will come up at an executive session tomorrow, with administration leaders urging confirmation as soon as possible.

The committee vote was 12 to 2, Senators Borah and Smith, of Michigan, Republicans, being the only members voting in the negative and Senator Lodge, ranking Republican member, joining with those favoring confirmation. Administration senators believe favorable action by the Senate itself is assured.

BURTON IS CANDIDATE FOR FOR PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION

Officially Threw His Hat Into the Republican Ring Yesterday.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 23.—Theodore E. Burton, former United States Senator from Ohio, today officially became a candidate for the Republican nomination for president. Three declarations of candidacies for delegates at large to the Republican National convention, filed with Secretary of State Hildebrant, were accompanied by formal statements, signed by Mr. Burton, giving permission for use of his name in connection with the presidential nomination.

The declarations were filed by United States Senator Warren G. Harding, Governor Frank B. Willis and William Cooper Proctor, Cincinnati manufacturer. Each declared his first choice for the presidential nomination is Mr. Burton.

FORTY-ONE MAYORS RESPOND.

Cities Will be Represented in Preparedness Conference.

New York, Feb. 23.—Mayors of 41 cities throughout the country have signified their intention of attending or sending representatives to the Mayors' Conference on National Preparedness at St. Louis March 3 and 4, it was announced tonight. Mayor Mitchel will head the New York delegation, which is expected to number several hundred.

The conference was called by Mayor Mitchel and Mayor Kiel, of St. Louis, when the National Security Congress met at Washington last month. Charlotte, N. C., will be represented at the conference, as will Chicago, Boston, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Buffalo, Nashville and many others.

SUPPLY SHORT IN KENTUCKY.

Plant Tobacco and Plenty of It, is Advice of Beaufort Warehouseman.

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 23.—"Plant tobacco and plant plenty of it; the price during the coming season will be higher than ever before," is the advice of V. B. Shelburne, a Beaufort county warehouseman, to the planters of his section. Shelburne has just returned from the Kentucky markets. He says: "The crop of burley tobacco which is used largely for pipe and plub tobacco is 40 per cent. short, and they will have to have ours to make up the shortage, as the Eastern Carolina tobacco is the only substitute that is available. The shortage of burley is over 120,000,000 pounds. Weed of that kind, which sold last year for $1.50 or $2, is now bringing $4 or $5.

Washington, Feb. 23.—President Wilson today nominated Charles A. McAllister, to be engineer-in-chief in the coast guard service for another term of four years.

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This remarkable letter, coming from a prominent physicion engaged in active practice for over 25 years, proves the merit of this wonderful new Remedy.

I have used Amolox in four different cases with excellent results. All showed marked improvement from the start. Two apparently are cured, the skin being free from scales and redness, and perfectly normal.

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STOCK LAW TERRITORY NEED NOT BE FENCED

Supreme Court Reiterates its Previous Ruling

Sellers of Dangerous Food Liable for Damages to Persons Eating It. Opinions Filed in Sixteen Appeals Yesterday.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 23.—One of the most notable of 16 opinions in pending appeals delivered this afternoon by the Supreme Court was W. H. Ward, administrator of A. J. Ward, deceased, vs. the Morehead City Sea Food Co., in which the Sea Food company appealed from a judgment for $5,000 damages against it on account of A. J. Ward having died from eating defective mullets supplied to a local dealer at Edenton and sold to the deceased. The court sustains the verdict below, holding that authorities are numerous that in the sale of foods there is an implied warranty that the food is fit and not dangerous or deleterious.

Ward died in September, 1914, and evidence was to the effect that numbers of persons had been dangerously sick by eating mullets from the defendant that were defective, the company having failed to call in mullets of the same lot that were on sale with dealers. The mullets were purchased of W. S. White, Edenton, a local retailer.

The court reiterated the ruling that stock law territory need not be fenced and holds that not being a resident of a town does not exempt from liability for one's stock running at large in violation of an ordinance, in the appeal of J. D. Brown vs. the Town of Williamston. The court affirms a judgment for 75 cents demanded by the Williamston authorities for feeding three impounded hogs which strayed into town from Brown's place two miles away. The full list of opinions follows:

State vs. Morse, Pasquotank, new trial; State vs. Lang, Gates, no error; Turner vs. Improvement Company, Pasquotank, remanded for new trial; Winborne & Co., vs. Mills, Crowan, no error; Town of Roper vs. Leary, Washington, no error; Horse Exchange vs. L. & N. Railroad Company, Beaufort, no error; Tuten vs. Guilford, Beaufort, no error; Ward vs. Sea Food Co., Chowan, no error; Killingsworth vs. Norfolk Southern Railroad Co., Beaufort, reversed; Angy vs. Woodmen of the World, Washington, reversed; Ferry vs. Norfolk Southern Railroad Co., Chowan, new trial; Cropsy vs. Markham, Pasquotank, affirmed; Clark vs. Wimberly, Edgecombe, reversed; Brown vs. Williamston, Martin, affirmed; Cotton Oil Company vs. Breen, Wayne, reversed; Ludwick vs. Mining Company, Randolph, defendant's appeal dismissed.

Voluminous Case.

A record of the phenomenally voluminous proportions of 811 printed pages characterizes the appeal of the plaintiffs in the case of Kenefick, Hoffman & Co., vs. Raleigh, Charlotte & Southern Railway Co., to be argued tomorrow before the Supreme Court, it being especially set from the 13th district.

The case involves the construction of the section of the Raleigh, Charlotte & Southern between Mt. Gilead and Charlotte for which the plaintiffs were the contractors. Over hauls in the grading due to changes in the profile on which the contract was based form the principal claim for additional pay for the work, the overhaul item alone constituting a claim for $45,000 that it is insisted on appeal should be added to the judgment for the plaintiffs given by the trial judge in the hearing below.

HARVARD PROFESSOR HEARD IN ADDRESS AT TRINITY COLLEGE

Dr. Frederick J. Turner Speaks on American History and Ideals.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Trinity College, Durham, Feb. 23.—That the problem of the future of the United States is to hold fast to the genius of preserving the variety of cultures without destroying civilization, to maintain any one variety, even if we must build stronger walls against approaching Europe and arm still stronger the defenders of these walls, was the conclusion reached by Dr. Frederick J. Turner, professor of American history in Harvard University and pre-eminent among the creative spirits of American scholarship, in a significant address here last night on the subject, "Why Did Not the United States Become Another Europe?"

The occasion of the address was the annual Civic Celebration commemorative of the birth of George Washington, an event which has been fittingly observed here for 17 years under the auspices of the 9019.

Dr. Turner pointed out two dangers which threatened the United States in its early days, one that Europe was likely to absorb the United States in its system because parts of Europe then lay in territory now a part of the United States, and the other that the United States might run a course similar to that of Europe because of geographical conditions and conflicting economic interests. From the former danger we were saved primarily by our distance from Europe and from the latter partly by our political system, but more extensively by a substitute found for entente allies, spheres of influence, balance of power. This substitute was a cross-sectionalizing of party groups and political ideals, the result being a variety as well as a unity of American life, expressing itself in a sectional literature, sectional home feelings, equality of opportunities and expanding frontier, which appropriated all conflicting interests into a mosaic.

PREPARE FOR PEACE, HE URGES.

President Keith Addresses Southern Pine Association at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Feb. 23.—The annual convention of the Southern Pine Association opened here today with more than 300 prominent lumbermen from Southern states and a number from Northern cities in attendance. Charles S. Keith, of Kansas City, president of the association, in his address, urged the members to prepare for disturbances expected in the business world after the close of the European war. He advocated utilization of waste lumber mill products and expansiono f trade with foreign countries. J. E. Rhodes, secretary of the association, presented his report covering the detailed operations of the organization.

A small number of choice books is sufficient.—Voltaire.

Brave men were living before Agamemnon.—Byron.

What's the matter with your biscuits lately?

Hundreds of women have lately been realizing that their biscuits are not so good as they used to be. The biscuits are not so light nor so white, and not as fine in texture as they used to be. And no matter how careful they are, their cake and pastry just *won't* "come out right", for some reason or other.

Haven't *you* noticed the difference in *your* baking? Maybe you hadn't thought of there being any special reason for not getting good results; just thought it was a "run of bad luck"; but there *is* a reason, a reason that has nothing to do with your skill in baking.

Let us tell you what the trouble is.

Last season was the worst for wheat in *fifty years*. Wheat nearly all over America was badly damaged by too much rain. Sections that, in past seasons, grew the finest grade of wheat for flour making, had nothing but rain-damaged wheat to sell. Naturally, rain-damaged wheat doesn't make good flour; it hasn't strength and vitality, and the too-much moisture sets up a fermentation which spoils the rising qualities of flour made from this wheat.

As an example of how scarce high-grade wheat is and how hard to get, we examined *300* cars of wheat in a single day and found only *one* carload containing the high quality wheat demanded for making Valier's Dainty Flour.

The moment we learned how *exceedingly scarce* high-grade wheat was, we sent our *own men* to every section of the country where *any* A-1 wheat at all was grown, and paid *premium* prices to get it for *our* mills. Thus by foresight, prompt action and *premium* prices, *we* got enough of the highest grade wheat; and, as a result, we can keep *our* flour up to the highest standard of quality. That's the reason why you'll find Valier's Dainty *one* flour that now has the same *high* quality it has always had. Its quality has not been lessened one iota.

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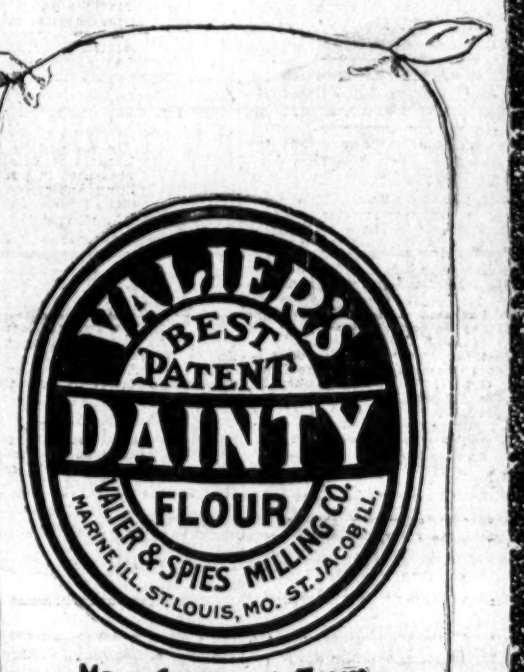

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BENTON AGAIN A CANDIDATE

Columbus to Vote on Special Road Tax at General Election in November This Year.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., Feb. 23.—Representative A. M. Benton, of Evergreen, on court business here today, stated to this correspondent that he would most positively be in the race for representative from this county again this year and that he confidently expected to adorn the seat of the "Gentleman from Columbus" another session. Asked about matters local, Mr. Benton discussed freely the question of road maintenance in the county, about which much has been said both pro and con the past few months.

At the last session of the Legislature Mr. Benton introduced a bill to provide for working the roads of the county by taxation, the question to be first submitted to the voters of the county at the general election this year. Ballots bearing "For Special Tax" and "Against Special Tax" will be provided at this election, and if the issued is carried, the county commissioners are empowered to levy and collect annually a road tax of 10 cents on the $100 and 30 cents on the poll, in addition to the tax now levied and collected for the support of the chain gang, this fund to be used both for maintenance and construction of highways in the county. The bill further provides for the appointment of a superintendent of roads in each township in the county whose salary shall be fixed by the board of commissioners, and for the work of construction and maintenance to be done by contract or other wise.

So far, it is not known whether the bill will have sufficient opposition at the general election to cause it's defeat or not, but in view of the generally conceded bad condition of the roads, at some places practically impassable, it is thought that the election will carry and that substantial work will follow. Just what disposition will be made of the present road forces, or what probable changes likely to take place in the event the election carries, is a matter of much conjecture at this time.

While here Mr. Benton took occasion to pay a handsome tribute to Judge W. P. Stacy, former representative from New Hanover, who is holding court here this week. Mr. Benton declared that he had never met a finer man in his life.

HOPEWELL INCORPORATED.

Is Chartered by Virginia Legislature as First Class City.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 23.—Governor Stuart had before him today for his signature a bill enacted by the State generaly assembly granting a charter for the incorporation of Hopewell as a city of the first class. Citizens of the town decided to ask the Legislature for a charter after the fire which swept out most of the place several months ago. Since then Hopewll has been practically rebuilt.

Hopewell, which sprang up last summer after the Dupont de Nemours Powder Company erected a gun cotton factory there, has a population of about 22,000.

"DUNDORA" DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Home Built by Thomas Jefferson Near Monticello in Virginia.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 23.—"Dundora" a home built near Monticello, in Albemarle county, by Thomas Jefferson for his nephew, Peter Jefferson, and latterly ocupied by the family of the late John B. Moon, was destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning, cause unknown.

Mrs. Belle Maury and Misses Esther, Mary, Sallie, Agnes and Ann Moon, members of the family, who ocupied the house, escaped with only their clothing.

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TOP O' THE MORNING

Couldst thou in vision see
Thyself the man God meant:
Thou never more wouldst be
The man thou art—content.

—EMERSON.

Age certainly is telling on Senator Root.

The times are bubbling with trouble and trouble seems to be troubling trouble.

How can they keep it out of politics when it is imposible to keep politics out of it?

South Carolina is to have another bitter fight. Blease has entered the arena again. Can he come back?

A fellow says he can stand the dreams he has at night but he can't stand the nightmares that he has as soon as daylight comes.

Our idea of self-restraint is illustrated when a man stumbles over a rocking chair in the dark and mutely wonders if he hurt the poor chair worse than it hurt him.

We would like to put in a few words for Equanimity, but the probability is that it has to wait several years in order to get a showing.

The Turks' idea of Erzerum now is that it always was considered the little end of nowhere—more like a hill billie postoffice than a locality of the least strategic importance.

Note certain amenities among the New York papers. The Tribune says: "We know a great deal less about copperheadism than The World does." The World: "Why limit it to copperheadism?"

With The Hague agreement not too specifically covering warfare down under the water and up in the air, are submarines and airships a law unto themselves? The law of humanity seems to be obsolete.

A picnic manager says it will soon be time to prepare for picnics, but he says whenever a picnic crowd gathers and he sees a certain fellow in the party it is a sure sign that it is going to rain, just as sure as you're born.

What's the use for the Ohio Journal to wonder what Colonel Roosevelt would have done if he had been a woman? About the first thing he would have done, of course, would have been to marry a cowboy and move out West.

It begins to look as if British statesmen talk with their mouths open sometimes just as American statesmen do in Washington. But where was the British censor Tuesday night, when the report of that debate in the House of Lords was being cabled?

A girl was warned by her father about the seriousness of getting married. "Remember, daughter, you face a stern reality when you take a husband." "Probably so, dad," but John is no stern reality. He brings me candy and flowers every time he comes."

In urging Justice Hughes as the Republican nominee for president, Governor Whitman says he would be a candidate capable of "bringing together the loose ends of the party." Seems to us that one of the loose ends of the party has everything coming his way.

The Democrats hope that an honored man like Justice Hughes won't think of being the Republican candidate for president. On the Supreme Court bench he is perfectly safe, but if he should go into a political campaign he would be reminded of everything he has ever done.

They'll sacrifice thousands of men and millions of money and material to hold a certain so-called military stronghold and after it has been captured they'll tell you that it was of no strategic importance, anyway. Both sides are guilty. They can't blame neutrals if they think of "sour grapes."

AMERICA'S OWN IDEALS.

This country is so extensively cosmopolitan that its newspapers have readers among the people of nearly every nation on the earth. They also hear and read the speeches of American statesmen and may or may not take the American viewpoint, based upon the traditions of America in its isolated position enabling it to be free from the entangling alliances that would embroil it in the quarrels of foreign countries.

Even some Americans have so far drifted away from traditional American principles that they conjure up the idea that we are naturally obligated to take a partisan if not active part in the settlement of the problems of the monarchies of Europe. Even so astute a lawyer as Senator Root so misconceived American participation in The Hague convention as to say in his recent speech before the New York Republican convention:

"The invasion of Belgium was a breach of contract with us for the maintenance of a law of nations which was the protection of our peace, and the interest which sustained the contract justified an objection to its breach."

The Hague convention in 1907 formulated a code of agreements "respecting the rights and duties of neutral powers and persons in case of war on land." Senator Root was Secretary of State under Roosevelt when the so-called Hague convention was framed. It is curious, therefore, that he has overlooked the fact that several nations have never ratified The Hague convention. Among them are Great Britain, Italy, Turkey, Bulgaria and Serbia. Without formal ratification of The Hague agreement, those nations are not legally or nationally bound by The Hague agreement. Therefore, the United States is not a party contractor with them as to The Hague agreement. At any rate, they failed to ratify that contract to which this country was a party. Furthermore, it is not for any one nation like the United States to either emphasize or enforce an agreement between the world powers when they engage in controversies or war. This country might feel morally obligated to join them in maintaining the principles, but all the contractors would be equally obligated in that respect. Where there is lacking a union in purpose between all the contractors, it certainly would be folly for any one country to go it alone.

The Hague convention declared that "the territory of neutral powers is inviolable." That was merely a solemn principle which the powers enunciated, but it contained no provisions for its enforcement or for any joint action between the powers to enforce or carry out the principle. Certainly those powers which never ratified even The Hague agreement cannot be regarded as co-contractors in a contract that they never ratified. It is really strange how Senator Root had so little knowledge of the status of The Hague convention that he thought we were honor bound with any nation (certainly not those which never ratified the convention) to go to the verge of war to uphold The Hague agreement. Great Britain did go to war with that as a reason, and yet she had never ratified the convention.

The fact is, the best informed authorities on international law almost unanimously agree that those nations which actually ratified The Hague convention only obligated themselves not to invade or make use of the territory of neutrals during war, all of which carries no obligation to punish any nation or nations which possibly might violate the neutrality of some nation, as was the case of Germany in Belgium. It is a moral obligation and not an international contract, so that so long as we do not violate the principle ourselves by violating neutral territory it is not for this country to attempt to hold any other nation up to its own moral obligations. It is a matter of national conscience for each power, and not for any other nation to regulate the conscience of a nation guilty of the violation of the neutrality of a nation.

When the Germans invaded Belgium, Senator Root happened to be a Republican member of the Senate committee on Foreign Relations. Neither the senator nor the committee entered the slightest protest, and it certainly is strange that Senator Root as a member of the committee did not then see his duty in securing action from the committee. He did not, and it is all the more remarkable that he should wait more than a year and a half to wake up to the fact, as he now alleges, that we are guilty of breach of contract in not going to the rescue of Belgium. Furthermore, not one of the other governments which ratified The Hague Tribunal has even protested against the invasion of Belgium, nor have they held themselves to be guilty of breach of contract in their failure to protest.

Senator Root, for political reasons, now puts an interpretation on The Hague convention that no other neutral nation has put upon it. Even the participants at The Hague made this Article 20 of the agreement: "The provisions of the present convention do not apply, except as between contracting parties, and then only if all the belligerents are parties to the convention." Several of the belligerents engaged in the European war were not parties to the convention, since they failed to ratify it, and for that reason some of them can justify their own violation of so-called international law as agreed on at The Hague. The Hague principle as to neutral territory has been violated both as to Belgium and Greece, and we may as well consider ourselves, under obligations to protest as to both instead of as to one. We are not under contract to do it, and we would only be butting in were we to do so. The Hague agreement has been violated towards our own country as to commerce, but none of the guilty nations are even willing to acknowledge that they are guilty of a breach of contract with us.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH DANIELS

A fluent writer, contributing to one of the metropolitan magazines at so much per, according to how the stuff suits the editor, wades into a wholesale criticism of Josephus Daniels, as Secretary of the Navy. First he lays down the proposition that "secretaries of the navy come of two kinds—real leaders and animated rubber stamps."

In the former class he places George von L. Meyer and in the latter class he places most of Meyer's predecessors, whom he describes as "delightful nobodies, but with sense enough to realise their lack of naval knowledge. Allowing the professional men to run the show, they simply supplied the official signature which made the wheels work," says the magazine writer at so much per.

Then he proceeds to "roast" the present Secretary, and the logical conclusion to be reached from reading the article is that Daniels is "playing thunder" with the navy because he undertakes to be more than an "animated rubber stamp" while lacking the qualities that made von L. Meyer a "leader", to-wit: Daniels is not a modern Republican nor does he hold his high position by the grace of a Republican president.

PREPAREDNESS SO FAR.

Those people who have feared that national preparedness meant militarism ought to be able now to realize how far short of militarism is the present preparedness idea in Congress. Of course, Congress has not yet taken action on preparedness, but the nearest step towards it is the new army reorganization bill, tentatively agreed upon by the House committee.

The bill proposes to increase the regular army to 134,000 men, doubles the field artillery, adds 15 companies to the engineer corps, creates four squadrons of aircraft, and provides a corps of cadet officers to be taken from colleges which give military training. As to a reserve army, the bill federalizes the National Guard, if that can be successfully done. However, Chairman Hay and his committee claim that they have worked out a plan, and if they have done it in a way to make a Federal force of the state troops, they will obviate all the criticism that is being hurled at them for turning down the continental army scheme.

So far, national preparedness does not seem itself to come up to the expectations of the friends of reasonable preparedness. In the way of militarism there is nothing doing up to the present.

Doubtless it will be a surprise to Belgium that the United States went to The Hague and committed itself to the protection of Belgium, even if it had to fight all the nations of Europe. If the United States was under obligation to protect Belgium's neutrality, wonder why Belgium didn't call upon us to "come quick" when her neutrality was about to be violated—like Korea did. Belgium knew better than Roosevelt pretends to know.

TRADE VS. HUMANITY.

To the Editor of The Star:

One would be extremely simple to expect either the Republican Washington Post or the Republican ex-officehold, Mr. B. F. Keith, to support the Wilson administration. Mr. Keith has appeared in your columns several times with observations on the war, but always in behalf of the trade which the Allies interrupt with the Germans, and never in protest against the barbarous murder of American citizens on the high seas. The fact that this country established a foreign trade balance of a billion and a half for the last fiscal year, and that the Allies and their dependencies take 74 per cent. of our cotton exports, to say nothing of the general prosperity of this country, or that the loss of trade with the Teuton nations is small compared with the advantages of trading with the Allies, seems to have no weight with Mr. Keith. He is callous to the loss of American lives, but is dissolved into tears when he contemplates the loss of trade between America and the Teuton belligerents. He really out-teutons the Teutons.

I am enclosing a clipping from the New York Times which reveals a condition at the front which may soften the most adamantine politician, ex-officeholder or other.

DEMOCRAT.

("A Taube Raid and Its Significance," by Mr. Theodore Marburg, formerly United States minister to Belgium, is published by request elsewhere in today's paper).

CURRENT COMMENT

A free port in New York, possibly on Staten Island or in the new Jamaica Bay Harbor, might well be the first step toward seeking a greater share of the world's distributing trade in connection with our new primacy in world finance. Similar ports might be needed at other points on both coasts and the Gulf. There is no good reason why New York should not have as much distributing business as Hong Kong.—New York World.

There appears to have been just a little bit of a cropping out of Republican harmony in the congressional convention at Newton. We are told by The Enterprise that an upheaval was narrowly averted when Col. W. S. Pearson, of Morganton, got up and told the convention that he "would not compare the arch-ingrate, Theodore Roosevelt, with that magnificent statesman and gentleman, William Howard Taft." Before the bell had time to ring, the chairman saved the day by calling for the vote on delegates to the National convention. It was a close shave, to be sure, and gave abundant evidence to the diplomacy of the chairman and to his quick manifestation of the gift.—Charlotte Observer.

By her own wealth is haughty Rome brought low.—Propertius.

Men are never so good or so bad as their opinions.—Mackintosh.

A TAUBE RAID AND ITS SIGNIFICANCE.

Questions for the United States After Seeing the Murder of Civilians in a Town in France.

At the Front in France, Jan. 21, 1916. To the Editor of The New York Times.

Some days ago I was at the Officers' Hospital with my wounded boy when there was a loud explosion apparently quite near us.

"It's an air raid," at once exclaimed my companion.

The original explosion was followed by seven others at short intervals. One bomb fell only a block away, killing a woman. I went to the window and saw the Taube, fairly well up describing a circle and leaving a corresponding circle of death in the town. There was a clear blue sky and no wind. Presently I saw what I took to be a bit of cotton floating down. I remarked this to my boy and said I would go out into the garden and gather it up as a souvenir. He smiled and explained that this must be smoke from the bursting "archies," fired by antiaircraft guns, and sure enough my pure white fluffs of cotton soon began to melt into milk-white and then blue-white swimming patches resembling opaque glass made indescribably beautiful by the lustre of the blue sky streaming through.

The bomb which fell a block away landed in a small garden belonging to the public baths. The woman who was killed was in the act of bathing in a one-story detached building. There was a crowd of curious people around the spot when I went to look at it. An attendant came out with her face bearing numerous, though not deep, cuts made by flying glass. The sides of several brick bath houses were torn out, all the windows facing the garden were smashed, and there was a great oblong hole in the ground where the bomb had fallen.

At another spot in the town a bomb fell in the street, landing at the base of a large and handsome house and breaking its way into the cellar. No one in the house was injured, but a man passing by on the street had his leg torn to pieces and died during the day. There was very great damage done to windows—many of them large casement windows along the street and around the corner in the neighboring street.

The next morning I sought the spot where a third bomb had fallen. By direction I pushed upon a heavy wooden gate and found myself in a large and attractive grassy court. Along one side was a row of cottages facing the court, on another an imposing building which might at one time have formed part of a monastery. The bomb had fallen in the centre of the court, making a perfectly round hole the depth of my cane and twice the length of the cane in diameter.

A comely young woman was passing through the court and I asked her whose were the children I had heard were hit. She answered: "They are mine," quietly enough at first, but when she began to give me the details she broke down, though seeming ashamed of her emotion and trying her best to suppress it. Just at this moment a sturdy little boy of about 6 years ran up to her. I put my hand on his head and said: "Is this your child, too?" She replied, "Yes, the only one that was spared. He generally plays with his sisters, but happened at the moment to be in the lane outside." She explained that her two little girls, one of 3 years and one of 9, were playing at the door of the cottage, which was about fifty yards from where the bomb fell. Both were badly injured. It was found necessary to amputate the right leg of the elder child below the knee, and both legs of the younger above the knee. The father of the children is off fighting. The family are refugees from a French town now in the hands of the Germans.

The other bombs fell in the country around the town, doing no damage. Not a soldier received a scratch. The result of the raid was simply the murder of civilians. A principal line of progress in war for generations has been in the direction of protecting the non-combatant, and tending to confine the struggle to armed forces. With this in view, it has been laid down that a place, even though defended—a large term implying the presence of troops or simply military stories, etc.—may not be bombarded without notice sufficient to enable the non-combatants to leave. If a town is so close to the field of battle that shells may reach it, that in itself is, of course, a sufficient notice. But this place cannot be reached by enemy guns. As in the case of the submarine, which is unfit for operations against merchant ships because it cannot conform to the rule which requires the ship's crew or passengers to be put in a place of safety before the ship is sunk, just so air-craft are unfit for operations against other than the purely military forces of the enemy, because it is impossible to know where a bomb dropped from a great height by aircraft in rapid motion will fall and how many innocent lives will be taken. Experience has demonstrated this so amply that performances such as we have just witnessed here amount to willful murder.

The people of neutral countries are becoming apathetic to the horrors of this war. Human sympathy has its limits and after a while becomes blunted. But when it is all over history will trace with an unrelenting finger the moral loss arising from such needless acts of inhumanity. It will stamp with the mark of Cain the nation which inaugurated them and will question the rightfulness of feeling of the great neutral nation beyond the seas—a nation of 100,000,000 souls—whose government stood by in present security inactice while the wholesome recognized practices of the world were being put back. Clearly this is a turning point in history.

It is the duty of the United States to rise to the demands of it—its duty not only from the standpoint of its general welfare and good, but from that of enlightened self-interest as well. The danger lies in having practices such as these fastened upon the world for precedent in future wars, undoing the slow upward trend of centuries. If the nation which inaugurated them wins out, such practices are most apt to be fastened upon us, since success will then seem to have justified them. But if self-interest be our slogan, was there ever a time in history when it more certainly paralleled the general interest?

In the light of Germany's ruthless attack upon Belgium and her disregard of all the rules of war and decency from the very beginning of this struggle which she wantonly precipitated for her own ends, is there any longer any doubt what Germany's course would have been at Manila Bay if the English Admiral had not interposed his ship between the ships of Admiral Diederichs and Admiral Dewey? And if this war ends even in a stalemate, will we not witness Germany turning to conquest in South America in the near future in disregard of the Monroe Doctrine? As Bismarck falsified the Ems dispatch, and von Bethmann-Hollweg, though afterwards sensing the indignation of the world, trumped upon against Belgium the charge of conspiracy with England against Germany, so this philosophy will easily find a pretext for attacking us. And when this happens, will there have been anything in our attitude toward England in this war to lead England to believe that we are her friend, as she has been our friend, and so induce her to come to our aid?

Certainly, the sale of munitions has not been such an indication of friendship; everybody knows that plants would have been formed in the United States to sell Germany all the munitions she may have required if it had been possible for her to bring the munitions home. The enemies of today are the friends of tomorrow, and a future rapprochement between England and Germany—owing principally to our indifference to the results of this war, combined with a possible future Russian menace—is not at all impossible. Such an agreement would leave Germany with a free hand to attempt to realize her dream of colonies in the temperate zone of South America, the only habitable region for the race still open. True statemanship deals not only with the present but with the future as well. France's years of the fostering of Prussia as a bulwark against Austria resulted in the disaster of 1870. England's standing aloof in the latter made possible the present cataclysm. Future national interest generally lies in the direction of the performance of a present duty to the society of nations. The crime of 1870 ought not to have been permitted by the rest of Europe. The crime of 1914 likewise holds within it the seeds of untold evil for the world, seeds which will ripen into fruit, unless the neutral powers—principal

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HEALTH TALKS

BY WILLIAM BRADY, M.D.

THE MASQUERADER.

Contrary to the popular notion, every graduate of a medical school who obtains a license to practice his profession is legally and educationally qualified to do surgery. There is no special course of training required by law in order to practice surgery. The general medical school course fits a man for medical and surgical work. However, it is customary to spend some additional time in post-graduate work if the physician wishes to establish himself in surgery—customary, but by no means essential.

Now it is unfortunate for the public that the view prevails that, because a man can operate, he necessarily knows more about the diagnosis and treatment of disease than another man who does not operate. We say unfortunate for this reason: There are surgeons and near-surgeons. Surgeons fully realize their own shortcomings in diagnosis and therapeutics or treatment. Near-surgeons eagerly avail themselves of the people's credulity and attempt to play the role of all-around specialists, to assume a ponderous air of wisdom, and to operate on slight pretext or none at all—since people do delight in having an "operation." The real surgeon, who realizes his limitations, seeks the counsel of the family physician, who has had exceptional opportunities to observe and study the patient; he summons to his aid the laboratory expert, the competent specialist in this or that limited field, the X-ray expert. He weighs all the evidence. He divides the responsibilities with the family doctor or other consultants. If the verdict is operate, he operates. If the majority opinion over-rides his own, he waits.

Your near-surgeon prefers not to be bothered by the family doctor—he likes the patient to come without the family doctor's sanction or knowledge. He always operates, early and often. No matter whether the case is one legitimately in the field of the general surgeon or not, the near-surgeon operates if the patient wants an operation. The patient, somehow, always comes just in the nick of time—another hour, day, week or month would have been "too late." But then, the near-surgeon ought to know whereof he speaks. He can tell quite accurately, for instance, what is wrong with an appendix that looks fairly good to the novice. Hasn't he removed plenty of normal ones?

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Enlarged Pores.

What are enlarged pores?

Answer—Enlarged pores are unusually large sweat or sebaceous ducts. In every one of these duct openings are largest on the wings of the nose and about the cheeks. Lotions and medicinal applications are of no avail. General tonic bathing (cold bathing), exercise, open air and proper diet are the only effective remedies.

Old Remedy for An Old Disease

Can you tell me how to take flaxseed as a remedy for constipation?

Answer—Take two tablespoonfuls of the whole flaxseed each morning for breakfast. Don't chew it, but swallow it whole, in breakfast food, or in water or soup. It is tasteless.

Coddling

Is it a good idea to rub the throat and chest with alcohol before going out into the cold, or is that what you would call coddling?

Answer—Yes, it is coddling. Anything done just with the idea of not "taking cold" is coddling. As for going out in the cold, your physical comfort is the only thing to consider.

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Valuable Health Hints For Our Readers

CATARRH

Just because you hawk and spit and your nose is wet, cold, red, sore and a nuisance, don't merely plug it up. You can't cure catarrh by greasing your nose. Take S. S. S. regularly and you will drive catarrhal poisons out of your blood. The membranes will soon recover and no longer continue to accumulate the mucous that gathers and thickens into catarrh. S. S. S. stimulates the cells of the tissues to select from the blood their own essential nutriment. Rapid recovery from catarrhal inflamation in the stomach, kidney, bladder and all membranes is the result.

MALARIA.

Throughout the country, wherever malaria abounds, are happy, joyful people to whom S. S. S. has given wonderful help in the treatment of malaria after the most sickening torture imaginable.

The gaunt complexion of malaria's victims, the chills and fever, the malarial dysentery that seems to defy all other treatment, the malarial leg, the enlarged liver, the persistent anemia where the blood turns to water and the system wastes away. These are the conditions that S. S. S. so effectually assists in overcoming, by helping to restore the blood to its natural vigor.

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Sometimes a sore spot becomes indolent. The tissues surrounding it lose tone and are unable to provide sufficient nutriment to stop the drain. It is then chronic. Just saturate your blood with S. S. S. This is quickly accomplished, as S. S. S. is naturally assimilated the same as milk or any other healthful liquid.

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Local applications for any skin disease will afford protection from without, but have no medical value. Eczema, tetter, acne and all such eruptive diseases should be treated with S. S. S.

POISONED BLOOD.

So many different things contribute to poison the blood and the effect is so startling that the sufferer becomes panic-stricken and is led to use harmful drugs. If you have any blood trouble, get a bottle of S. S. S. and take according to directions.

Don't take anything else. Poisoned blood is bad enough without ruining your bones, joints, teeth and vitals with minerals. S. S. S. so stimulates cellular activity that they reject all poisonous influences and select only those materials in the blood that make healthy tissue. This is why its assistance toward recovery is so noticeable and at times remarkable.

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RHEUMATISM.

In any form of rheumatism give the blood a good effectual cleansing with S. S. S.

Use this remedy for three days and take a hot salt water bath to open the pores. This relieves the lungs and kidneys and assists S. S. S. to utilize the skin as the principal avenue of elimination.

Avoid salts, calomel and other drastic purgatives, as they absorb the moisture from the walls and membranes of the intestines, weaken the muscular action, produce chronic constipation and thus stagnate the system with rheumatic poisons. Get a bottle of S. S. S. at any drug store. Don't take a substitute.

S. S. S. is purely vegetable and is prepared only by the Swift Specific Co., 271 Swift Bldg., Atlanta, Ga. Write for special booklet on any of the diseases mentioned and if medical advice is wanted, write for that also to address given above. Both booklet and medical advice are free.

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ROY BURRISS, AGED 15, ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

By William Gaskill; Injury May Prove Fatal.

Boys Went Out to Park to Try Revolver Out on Target Yesterday—Injured Youth is Rushed to Hospital by Automobile.

Roy Burriss, 15 years old, son of Mrs. Callie M. Burriss, No. 204 Wooster street, was accidentally shot about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon by William Gaskill, of the same age, while the two boys were preparing to shoot at a target at Greenfield lake, near Sunset Park. Burriss had handed the weapon, which was a 32-calibre Iver-Johnson revolver, to Gaskill, who snapped it to see if it would go off. It was discharged and the bullet entered Burriss' chest just above the heart and passed entirely through his body. After he had done what he could to make his friend comfortable and had seen him taken off to the James Walker Memorial Hospital by a passing automobile, Gaskill went to the police station and gave himself up, but as Burriss also said it was an accident, the police allowed him to return to his home, No. 308 Martin street, where he lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gaskill.

Young Gaskill's story of how the accident occurred as told to a representative of The Star at the police station, was as follows:

"Roy and I had gone out to Sunset Park and were just getting ready to do some target shooting down by the river. He had a 32-calibre Iver-Johnson hammerless revolver, which we had had some trouble with before, because it wouldn't fire when snapped, so he had taken it home and oiled it up.

"He handed it to me to hold for him. Then I said to him it looks like it's snapping easy now since you oiled it. I snapped it and bullet went through his left shoulder. He fell over on the ground and told me to throw the gun overboard. I threw it into the river.

"I helped him raise up and tried to put his coat under him. Some ladies who had been having a picnic came down and helped me put his coat and sweater under him. A machine came up a little later and took him to the hospital."

The superintendent of the hospital in describing the boy's wound declared that he could not tell whether it would be fatal or not, as complications might set in. He stated, however, that it is a serious wound, as the bullet entered just over the heart, passing entirely through the left chest and perforating the lungs, making its exit between the left shoulder blade and the spine.

LARGE DOCKET IS TRIED IN RECORDER'S COURT

Six Colored Women Draw Thirty Days Each on Vagrancy Charges.

Yesterday was Recorder B. G. Empie's "busy day." After disposing of nearly all the cases against the score of defendants in the criminal division of his court in the morning, he had to spend the remainder of the day listening to the evidence and argument in the case of John Batts, colored, against the Auto Transit Company, in which case the plaintiff demanded a trial by jury.

The chief sufferers at the morning session were Mattie Merrick, Sister Butler, Rosa Smith, Meppie Herring, Geneva Bell and Vilena Southerland, all colored, each of whom was sentenced to 30 days on the county farm on charges of vagrancy.

Other cases disposed of were: Lizzie Bell, colored, fined $5 and costs on an assault charge; Robbie May Bloodworth, Annie Smith, Addie Simmons, all colored, who were found not guilty of vagrancy; Jason Capot, colored, who was given until tomorrow to leave the county in leave the county in connection with a vagrancy charge; Susan Wright, colored, who was found not guilty of a charge of a disorderly nature; Herbert Larkins, colored, charged with vagrancy, whose case was held open pending result of medical examination; Richard Sampson, colored, charged with larceny, whose case was continued; Maggie Bently, charged with violating anti-jug law, whose case was continued; Ed. Larkin, Lillie Johnson and Lillie Merrick, all colored, charged with vagrancy, which cases were nol prossed with leave; and Annie MacRae, charged with vagrancy, who was given a suspended judgment upon payment of the costs.

EDUCATIONAL EXPERT TO SPEAK AT WRIGHTSBORO

L. C. Brogden Will Address Community Service Meeting Tomorrow.

L. C. Brogden, state agent in rural school work, of Raleigh, will arrive in this city tomorrow morning from Newbern. Tomorrow evening Mr. Brogden will accompany Prof. Washington Catlett to the Wrightsboro school, where he will deliver the chief address at a Community Service meeting which will be held at the school at 7:30 o'clock.

Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock, Mr. Brogden will address the public school teachers of New Hanover county at their regular monthly meeting which will be held at the Hemenway school. Mr. Brogden will speak on the subject of "The Training of Teachers," or some allied topic.

Professor Catlett and Superintendent of City School John J. Blair, yesterday afternoon attended a very interesting programme carried out at the Scott's Hill school in celebration of Washington's birthday, the celebration having been postponed from February 22. The exercises included many recitations and songs by the pupils, Miss Aleph Cason, of the school faculty playing the accompaniments on the piano.

Professor Catlett gave a very interesting and appropriate address on "George Washington," while Superintendent Blair gave an exhibition of drawing, both of which were very much appreciated by the students at the school and their parents, who attended in large numbers.

Equipment Arrives.

Four carloads of gas mains to be used by the Tidewater Power Company in laying the long extension of the Wilmington system along the suburban right-of-way to Wrightsville and Wrightsville Beach have been received by the company, and the improvement work will start at once in order that it may be completed by the beginning of the summer season. This improvement will enable residents at the beach and those living between this city and the beach to have gas lights in their homes.

WANTS THE CITY TO HELP

Mayor Moore Suggests That Council Make Provision in Next Budget for Improving Playgrounds.

"I know that we haven't much money but I hope that in our next budget we may be able to make a small appropriation for improving playgrounds and parks in the city," said Mayor Moore at the regular weekly meeting of City Council yesterday morning. He suggested that perhaps $500 for improving the grounds, donated for this purpose by the government at the United States Marine Hospital, and a similar amount for the Greenfield park would do for a beginning.

City Attorney Robert Ruark suggested that as the city grows and develops, it would be a good idea for the city to secure a block of ground in the different suburbs to be developed into parks and playgrounds. He thought that the owners of the land would be glad to co-operate in the matter. Councilman Merritt endorsed this idea.

Councilman McCaig submitted a letter from Mr. W. E. Merritt, superintendent of the water and sewerage department, suggesting the purchase of a duplicate of the present new pump at the sewerage disposal station in the eastern part of the city at a cost of $1,188 as being perhaps the best solution of the problem of taking care of present and future needs. The special committee, appointed to look into the operation of the plant, decided that it would be best to use the new pump to take care of the sewerage during the day and to use the two old pumps, which are of small size, to take care of the plant at night.

However, these pumps, if continued in operation, require new top plates and new shafts, which would cost $351. Two new pumps of similar size would cost $517, but they would take off a flow of only 900 gallons a minute while the present flow is 1,000 gallons a minute, Mr. Merritt pointed out, and will continue to increase, so that it would be more economical in the long run, he thought, to make provision for a flow of 1,500 gallons. The letter was referred to the committee for investigation and further report.

A letter was also read from Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, county health officer, calling attention to a small deficit of $259.29 in certain items of the budget of the health department. Councilman McCaig said he didn't understand just what was wanted and the letter was referred to the finance committee.

Capt Meares, city clerk and treasurer, was authorized to send out notices to property owners, who have not yet improved the sidewalks adjacent to their property, notifying them that if steps were not taken to have the work done within ten days that the city would have the walks laid and have the owner's part of the cost charged up against the property.

Councilman Merritt suggested that as the chamber for holding meetings of Council had been arranged, he thought that it would be a good idea if the photographs of former mayors could be secured and placed on the walls in the hall. This seemed to meet with general favor.

Coupons for water and street bonds to the amount of $15,245 were burned. Those present at the meeting were Mayor Moore and Councilmen McCaig, Hall, Bradshaw and Merritt and City Attorney Ruark.

COL. LUCAS ASSAULTED.

Former Wilmington Citizen Set Upon by One of His N. Y. Command.

Many Wilmington friends of Lieut. Col. E. W. VanC. Lucas, formerly of this city, will be interested in an account of an assault upon him recently as commanding officer of the 22nd Corps of Engineers, National Guard of the State of New York, as appearing in the New York Herald of the issue which reached the city yesterday, the assault having been by one of his subordinates, James Flood, armorer of the Engineer Corps armory, Fort Washington avenue and 168th street. The incident occurred several days ago and the corps commander has been asked to make a report of the occurrence to the division commander of the State forces.

The armorer is said to have struck Colonel Lucas and knocked him down, following an altercation with Flood over laxness in the latter's duties. Friends of Colonel Lucas will be glad to know that he was not seriously injured and it was said to The Herald by an officer who knows him that Colonel Lucas had been endeavoring for several months to improve the manner in which the armory affairs were conducted. It is said that Flood, who has been 35 years in the service, has asked to be allowed to resign, but the division commander has asked for a full investigation.

The Herald, in speaking of Colonel Lucas says:

"Lieutenant Colonel Lucas was third in the class which was graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1887. He served as instructor of military engineering at the Academy, and has been engaged in much important river and harbor work and army engineering problems. He was a division engineer chief in the war with Spain. He resigned from the regular army in 1906 to take up civil engineering, and was appointed chief engineer officer of the National Guard more than three years ago. He was placed in command of the 22nd Engineers upon the re-organization of the corps two years ago."

INTERURBAN MUSICALE AT WINTER PARK TONIGHT

Elaborate Programme Has Been Arranged by Baseball Fans.

An elaborate musical programme has been arranged for the benefit of the Interurban Baseball League in connection the entertainment which will be given this evening at 8:30 o'clock at Winter Park, and the indications are that the event will be most successful in every way. For the convenience of residents of the city and others who desire to attend arrangements have been made for the running of a special car from Front and Princess streets at 7:45 o'clock.

Following the opening address by Rev. J. A. Clarke, the following programme will be carried out: "America," by the audience; solo, "Love's Sorrow," Mr. W. T. Murphy; recitation, Mr. Kay B. Knudsen; duet on the piano and mandolin, Miss Lucile Page and Mr. James Farror; solo, Miss Warren; Aeolian male quartet, Messrs. Crockett, Schulken, McColl and Murphy; pianno solo, Mr. W. G. Robertson; short address, "The Interurban Baseball League," by Mr. J. E. Grant, president; piano solo, Mr. E. Cavanaugh; reading, Miss Kate Murphy; solo, "The Smuggler," Mr. W. G. Murphy; A. C. L. quartet, "Down on Jasper's Farm," "When I Dream of Old Erin," Messrs. McFayden, Todd, Avery and Whitford.

SETTLEMENT OF THE CONTROVERSY LIKELY

Between Atlantic Coast Line Officials and Conductors.

Conferences Yesterday With Judge Chambers Resulted in Progress Towards An Agreement Regarding Auditing System.

While it is understood that nothing definite has as yet been agreed upon between the officials of the Atlantic Coast Line and the conductors of this road regarding a settlement of the controversy caused by the inauguration of the White Audit system several weeks ago, indications last night pointed strongly towards an amicable agreement today. Judge W. L. Chambers, of Washington, commissioner of mediation and conciliation, who returned to the city yesterday, held conferences with representatives of both the railroad officials and the conductors at the Orton Hotel yesterday afternoon and another conference is scheduled for this morning.

While those directly concerned with the negotiations now being conducted between the railroad officials and the conductors refused to make any statements regarding what was being done, it was learned upon good authority that the conference yesterday resulted in some progress towards a settlement and it is not improbable that the conference with Judge Chambers this morning will result in an agreement that will be mutually satisfactory.

In the absence of any statement from those directly concerned, the nature of the proposed basis of settlement is a matter of surmise, but in all likelihood, should the matter be settled today, it will be a modified form of the White Audit system.

As has already been pointed out, Judge Chambers came to Wilmington simply in the capacity of mediator to use his good offices in bringing about a settlement. It was at the instance of the Atlantic Coast Line that his services were invoked, but the representatives of the conductors expressed their entire willingness to co-operate in every way possible, while at the same time holding strongly to their position that they considered the White Audit system highly objectionable. They have repeatedly stated, however, that they did not object to a "fair and just" system of auditing.

Mr. J. E. White, of Chicago, returned to the city Tuesday night from Atlanta, Ga., where he spent the week-end. He is a guest at the Orton. He is here in the inteerst of the auditing system of which he is the originator.

CONTEST BEGINS TONIGHT.

Merchants Busy Arranging Their Windows for the Event.

Wilmington merchants and the general public are looking forward to the window trimming contest of the Chamber of Commerce which begins tonight at 7:30 P. M., and lasts through Saturday, the 26th, with a great deal of interest. The Wilmington people who come down town tonight will be greeted with somewhat of a new departure in elaborate window displays and decorations.

In view of this event the new lighting system installed by the Tidewater Power Co., at Front and Princess streets, will be turned on for the first time. This new arrangement of lights is the last word in modern street lighting and will be a most appropriate and spectacular feature of the contest.

Many people passing along the streets yesterday noted with interest the number of covered windows that are being arranged for the event and some of the over-anxious took a peep at the interior effects and were amazed at the original ideas and unique decorations developed as a result of the contest. Sixty-two merchants will have these displays. Many of them will be very costly, as elaborate decorations were ordered for the occasion and some have even gone to the extent of re-arranging their entire windows and building on to the interior platforms in order to get their share of the benefits out of the attractive event.

The judges will be Mrs. William Latimer, Mr. Frank Meade and Mr. W. L. Parsley. The artistic arrangement, neatness and selling power are the points that will be considered. The five prize winners will be announced at the meeting at the Chamber of Commerce Monday night, which will be on from 6:15 to 7 o'clock.

JURY UNABLE TO AGREE.

In Case of John Batts, Colored, Against Auto Transit Company.

At a late hour last night it was reported that the Recorder's court jury in the case of John Batts, colored, against the Auto Transit Company, in which action was brought by the plaintiff for the recovery of $500 as damages for the loss of the services of his wife alleged to have been injured by a jitney bus operated by the defendant company, had been unable to agree upon a verdict.

The testimony in the above case was conflicting. The contention of the plaintiff was that a jitney bus operated by the defendant company struck the buggy in which he and his wife were driving near intersection of Market and Fifth streets on January 23, and that as a result of the injuries received by the plaintiff's wife she had to be sent to a hospital, where it was found that she had sustained a sprained knee and a scalp wound.

It was the contention of the defendant that the plaintiff's wife came to her injury by the contributory negligence of the plaintiff, who attempted to drive across the street ahead of the bus. The plaintiff was represented by C. D. Weeks, Esq., while K. O. Burgwin, Esq., appeared for the defendant.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record yesterday: C. C. Chadbourn and wife to John C. Wessell and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot on northeast corner of 15th and Market street, 66x165 feet in size; George O. Gaylord to John F. Rulfs, for $100 and other considerations, lot on south side of Hall street, 75 feet east of Dickinson, 34x99 feet in size; John F. Garrell, to Katie C. Garrell, for $200, lot on east side of Third street, 52 feet south of Red Cross, 32x75 feet in size.

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Illuminated tonight with the new 1,000 candle power Nitrogen lamps. Lights turned on at 6:30 p. m. —adv.

LEASE ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Messrs. Howard and Wells Secure Control of Leading Wilmington Theatre for Term of Years.

Messrs. Howard & Wells yesterday closed a deal by which they secure control of the Academy of Music for a term of three and a half years from this date, having taken over the sublease which Mr. S. A. Lynch, of Asheville, had from Mrs. S. A. Schloss, whose lease from the city expires in 1919. The new managers state that they have already arranged to bring a number of high class shows to Wilmington before the present season closes.

At the beginning of the present season, Mrs. Schloss sub-let the local playhouse along with several others on the Schloss circuit to Mr. S. A. Lynch, a well known theatrical promoter. It had been rumored for several weeks that Messrs. Howard & Wells would take over the Academy as business had not been good this season and Mr. Lynch had not found it to be a profitable undertaking.

This places all the amusement houses in the city under the control of the firm of Howard & Wells, who recently leased for a term of 15 years from Mr. J. M. Solky the Victoria and Grand theatres. They are the owners of the Bijou and Royal theatres.

They have been in the theatrical business in Wilmington for the past ten years and by their progressive policy of conducting the enterprises under their direction have achieved marked success. Starting on a small scale with the Bijou, they made this one of the leading moving picture theatres of the city and later built the Royal, a thoroughly modern moving picture theatre.

The many friends of Mr. George W. Bailey, who has been the manager of the Academy of Music during the present season, will be delighted to know that he is to be continued in this position. He will also have charge of the Victoria vaudeville house, which opens Monday. Previous to coming to Wilmington, Mr. Bailey was for five years manager of the Auditorium in Asheville and is an experienced theatrical man.

PICKWICK INTERPRETATION.

By Mr. Frank Speaight, of London, is Expected to be Real Treat.

Mr. Frank Speaight, of London, who comes to Wilmington March 6th, promises to give his hearers a real treat. There are many reciters of Dickens' works, but only one Speaight. He is said to be almost a Dickens' character himself and depicting Dickens' characters comes to him naturally. He does not single out one lone character and act it, but presents a synopsis of leading scenes of the book in question and acts the various characters as they appear.

Mr. Speaight is said to be remarkably clever in his lightning change of expression, voice and attitude, that the actual characters seem to be present and one forgets that Speaight is there at all. The tickets for this recital are being rapidly bought—already about 200, so that it is assured a representative audience will greet Mr. Speaight and welcome him to this city.

The proceeds from this entertainment go to the maintenance of the Visiting Nurse, who is doing such excellent work in alleviating the suffering among many, who are sick, and unable to make provision for the ministrations of such a graduate trained nurse.

A 50-cent ticket bought for this Dickens evening will be a real help to some little sick girl or boy in our city.

BURGLAR SECURES MONEY.

Thief Enters Home of Mr. B. Solomon, on Market Street.

A burglar entered the residence of Mr. B. Solomon, a dry goods merchant, of this city, who lives at No. 616 Market street, Tuesday night, and visited Mr. Solomon's bedroom, where he secured the latter's trousers and vest, later taking them downstairs, where at his leisure, he extracted therefrom some seven or eight dollars in cash.

The fact that in several instances in the past few weeks, where robberies have been reported to the police exactly the same tactics have been employed, leads to the inference that probably the same man is responsible for the various burglaries which have been committed in various sections of the city. In several cases, recently, the burglar has acted in exactly the same manner as that pursued by the one who entered Mr. Solomon's residence.

Mr. Solomon reported to the police that entrance had been effected by the burglar's raising a window in the rear of his home. After removing the money from the trousers, the burglar very considerately left the trousers and vest behind. The burglary was not discovered until the members of the family got up in the morning.

—Summonses were issued yesterday by the Clerk of the Superior court in the case of Martha Brown against the city of Wilmington; and H. C. McQueen against M. Klaff. The first named case is an action for damages, while the second is a proceeding for the securing of claim and delivery papers. The papers in the first case were filed by C. D. Weeks, Esq., while E. K. Bryan, Esq., represents the plaintiff in the last named case.

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CORNER FRONT AND PRINCESS STREETS.

WILL MOVE TO KINSTON.

Dr. Powell's Dental Office Here Will be Occupied by Dr. Patterson.

Dr. J. W. Powell, who has conducted a dental office here for the past nine years, yesterday announced his intention of moving to Kinston, where he will open a new office. His office in the Murchison building, including its equipment and furnishings, will be taken over by Dr. George K. Patterson, who has for some time past been associated in the practice of dentistry with Dr. J. W. Stanly.

Dr. Powell will leave for Kinston about March 1, and before engaging in practice at that place will make a trip to Philadelphia to purchase new equipment for his Kinston office.

Restoration of Cable.

The Western Union Telegraph Company announces that improvement in its Trans-Atlantic cable facilities enables it to reinstate its cable letter service which has been suspended since January 3rd. The Western Union company some time ago re-established its deferred half rate and week-end letter cable services and resumption of its cable letter service restores its full line of supplementary services in addition to its regular fast cable service. This restoration of the cable situation to its normal basis is of the greatest importance to American foreign trade.

Valentine Souvenirs.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company did the graceful thing last week in giving to the 5,000 or more school children in the city a very useful and appropriate souvenir in the shape of a rubber heart-shaped eraser, of which the recipients are very proud.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Carrie Hashagen left for Raleigh, where she will spend several days with Miss Laura Bell.

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Miss Mary T. Hayden has returned from Wilson, where she spent several weeks as a guest of Mrs. H. H. Hussey.

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Miss Elizabeth Black, of Washington, D. C., arrived in the city yesterday to visit her sister, Mrs. D. B. Jordan, No. 313 Market street.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leo Little left yesterday morning by automobile for Gaffney, S. C., where they will spend several days with relatives.

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Dr. and Mrs. Hugh Cook have returned to their home in Newark, N. J., after spending several days here with Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Bryan.

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Miss Mae Lancaster and Miss Corbett, teachers in the Montague public school, have returned to their work after attending the reunion of the Salem College alumnae in this city.

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President J. R. Kenly, of the Atlantic Coast Line, and Dr. G. G. Thomas, medical director of the company, left for Baltimore, where they will join Mrs. Kenly, who has been ill.

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Miss Jennie Royall, Mrs. E. B. Royall and Messrs. E. B. and George Royall passed through Wilmington yesterday morning en route to their home in Goldsboro, after attending the funeral of Mr. W. N. Royall in Florence, S. C.

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The bazaar to be given in Woolvin hall March 1, 2 and 3 under the auspices of the Society of St. Andrew and St. George for the aid of the war sufferers in Belgium, Serbia and Poland promises to be a splendid success. The response to the call for donations has been unusually liberal. The donations have not been confined to the people of Wilmington.

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Rt. Rev. Edward Rondthaler, D. D., Bishop of the Southern Province of the Moravian Church, who came to Wilmington from Salem College especially to attend the reunion of the old students of this institution, left yesterday afternoon for Columbia, S. C. This was Bishop Rond thaler's only visit to Wilmington in 15 years, and he was very much impressed with the many evidences of progress.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS IS ENTERTAINED BY MR. SHAW.

The boys of Mr. Heman Shaw's Sunday school class at the First Presbyterian church were delightfully entertained Monday evening at his home, No. 308 South Fifth avenue at a Washington birthday party. Mr. Shaw has a class of about 15 bright young fellows and they were delighted at the fine entertainment given them.

The home was attractively decorated for the occasion with small hatchets and other features appropriate to the birthday anniversary. Many games and contests were played and the winners responded with short speeches.

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Yesterday's Fayetteville Observer: "Major-General James I. Metts, commander of the Confederate Veterans, of this State, has appointed Miss Alma Nolley to act as sponsor for the North Carolina veterans at the reunion at Birmingham, Ala., which takes place in May. Miss Nolley is an unusually talented and charming young woman, and as North Carolina's representative she will sustain its reputation for culture and personal attractiveness long held by the Old North State girls. General Metts' selection is most befitting, as Miss Nolley is the daughter of Mr. E. W. Nolley, a brave Confederate veteran. Miss Nolley is now visiting friends in New York."

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ENTERTAINS HER FRIENDS WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Miss Jennie Burnett entertained a number of her friends last night at her home on Sitxh street with a Washington's birthday party. Several solos were given by Mr. H. G. Jones for whom Miss Lucile Shore played the accompaniments on the piano. After other features of a social nature, delightful refreshments were served.

The guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Jones. Among those present were Misses Mary E. Cameron, Lucile Shore, Mabel Hinnant, Jennie Burnett and Clara Starling, and Messrs. Warren McManus, Gaston Carney, Chas. Rich, Ivar Palmgren, David Holmes and Frank Montgomery.

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RECIPROCITY DAY FOR THE NINTH DISTRICT NEXT MONTH

Mrs. W. M. Creasy, secretary for the ninth district of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, has received assurances of a large attendance from the nearby towns on Reciprocity day which will be observed in Wilmington on March 15th. There will be a number of prominent women of the State in attendance. The exercises will be held in the Court House.

Among the visiting speakers will be Mrs. Thos. W. Lingle, of Davidson, president of the North Carolina Federation; Miss Bettie Windley, of Newbern, chairman of the Literature Department, and Mrs. W. J. Jones, of Salemburg, whose wonderful work there in connection with the school has attracted nation-wide attention. Others who will make addresses will include Mrs. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, former chairman of the Music Department of the Federation; Miss Margaret Gibson, president of North Carolina Sorosis; Mrs. M. L. Stover, corresponding secretary of the North Carolina Federation, and Mrs. M. J. Dauer, chairman of the committee having charge of the adult illiteracy campaign. Mrs. Elmore Powell, of Whiteville, and Miss Charles Westbrook, of Wallace, are also on the programme.

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BRIDE OF MR. A. B. CROOM ENTERTAINED AT WINSTON.

The Winston-Salem Journal of Tuesday had the following:

"Miss Carrie Maddrey delightfully entertained on Saturday afternoon with Miss Elizabeth Fearrington as honor guest. The fascinating game of rook was played. Lovely pink enchantress carnations were used throughout the home as decorations, and the pink carnation scheme was carried out throughout the entire afternoon, the place cards were in pink, and dainty favors of tiny boxes covered with pink carnations were given as souvenirs.

"The pink and white scheme was followed throughout the delicious salad course and ices which Miss Maddrey, assisted by Miss Faith Fearrington, Louise Siler and Masters Edwin Erwin Maddrey, Jr., served the guests.

"Miss Maddrey presented the honor guest, the fair bride-to-be, with a beautiful bit of hand-made lingerie.

"Miss Fearrington has been the recipient of many social favors since the announcement of her engagement to Mr. Avery Burr Croom, of Wilmington, N. C., but none have been more thoroughly enjoyed than the delightful party tendered her by Miss Maddrey.

"The fortunate guests on this occasion were Miss Elizabeth Fearrington, the honoree; Misses Faith Fearrington, Edith and Gladys Avery, Ada Viele, Jessie Orinn Harper, of Charlotte; Blanche Buxton, Mary Cromer, Margaret Anderson, Nellie Messick, Annie Maude Pollard, Annie and Marq Moran, Lixsie Roddick, Louise Siler and Elizabeth Cornelius and Mesdames G. H. Croom, of Wilmington; Clarence Mims, H. A. Gould, J. T. Cannon, of Richmond; C. H. Sebring, John Burgh, W. S. Fischer, Gilbert Stephenson, and W. H. Turner."

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TO CELEBRATE SUNDAY THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

Next Sunday, February 27, at their home at Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Williams, of that place, will celebrate their golden wedding. They were married in Wilmington February 27, 1866. The following from yesterday's Greensboro News will be read with much interest by their many friends throughout this section:

"Both Mr. and Mrs. Williams are descended from a long line of distinguished Carolina ancestors. Mrs. Williams before her marriage was Miss Louisia Murphey, daughter of the late Patrick Murphey, of Sampson county, a distinguished member of the Carolina bar of his day, and is a sister of the late Dr. Patrick L. Murphey, of Morganton. Mrs. Williams is the last surviving member of her immediate family. She was born in Sampson county February 23, 1844, and will celebrate her 72nd birthday today. Mr. Williams, on his maternal side, is a direct descendant of Capt. Herdon Haralson, captain of North Carolina Continental State troops in General Nathaniel Greene's army, and of Col. Archibald D. Murphey, colonel of North Carolina militia in the same army.

"Captain Haralson was a native of Caswell county and served as deputy clerk of the county under Archibald D. Murphey, county clerk, at the approach of Cornwallis' army, he obtained permission to raise a company of volunteer infantry and became its first captain, he served with his company at the battles of Guilford courthouse, Whittett's Mills, Alamance, in the campaign in North Carolina, and at Eutaw Springs in the South Carolina campaign. Captain Haralson married Miss Polly Murphey, daughter of Col. Archibald Murphey, and their son, Jonathan Haralson, was the father of Mrs. John A. Williams, mother of C. J. Williams, who is now celebrating this 50th anniversary of happy married life.

"Mr. Williams served his native State in the War Between the States as second lieutenant of company C, 36th North Carolina Regiment, and was taken prisoner at the fall of Fort Fisher, being kept as a prisoner of war in a northern prison until the close of hostilities between the states. On his release from prison, Mr. Williams returned his native state, where he has resided ever since, and is one of the best known and highly regarded citizens in his section of the state.

"Mr. Williams is a very remarkable man in many respects. He is 80 years of age, having been born in 1836, and is strikingly active for a man of his years, one of his greatest pleasures being riding after the hounds. Mr. Williams is a great fox hunter and holds his own with younger devotees of this glorious sport, oftentimes riding all day, from daylight until dark. He has been in at the death of 30 foxes so far this hunting season. Mr. Williams is a true type of that class of nature's noblemen so fas disappearing, known as the 'old school Southern gentleman.'

"Mr. and Mrs. Williams are the parents of 12 children, 10 of whom are still living, and it had been planned to hold a family reunion on this anniversary day, but on account of the children being so widely scattered it was found to be impossible for all of them to be present at this time, but it is expected that they will all gather at the old home some time during the coming summer. The living children of this venerable couple are: Mrs. William S. Thompson, of Oklahoma City, Okla.; Rev. R. Murphey Williams, of Greensboro; Mrs. J. F. Cobb, of San Francisco, Cal.; Mrs. C. A. Jackson, Brunswick, Ga.; Mrs. R. J. Potter, Wallace; C. J. Williams, Jr., of Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. George R. Ward, Wallace; Patrick M. Williams, Wallace; J. A. Williams, San Francisco, Cal.; and Miss Ruth Williams, Wallace."

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CROOM-FEARRINGTON WEDDING A BRILLIANT SOCIAL EVENT

Winston-Salem, N. C., Feb. 23.—One of the most beautiful weddings of the winter was solemnized at the home of Dr. and Mrs. I. P. Fearrington here at 6:30 o'clock this evening, when their youngest daughter, Elizabeth, became the bride of Avery Burr Croom, Jr., of Wilmington. The ceremony was performed in the library and Rev. Dr. Neal L. Anderson and Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastors of the First Presbyterian churches of Winston-Salem and Wilmington, respectively, officiated.

The pretty bride, who was very handsome in her going-away gown of grey silk faille, small smart hat and accessories to harmonize, was attended only by her sister, Miss Faith Fearrington.

After the wedding a reception was held, following which the bride and groom left for the North. Mrs. Croom possesses many charming traits and will be a distinct addition to Wilmington's social life.

There were a large number of prenuptial social events in honor of the bride. Tuesday evening after the rehearsal, the bridal party and house guests were informally entertained at the home of the bride's parents. Later in the evening, Miss Ruth Joyner was hostess at a delightful party with Miss Fearrington as honoree.

Progressive hearts was interestingly played, a lovely gold scarf pin being the gentleman's prize, and a dainty gold scarf pin the lady's, each bearing the date.

An enjoyable feature of the occasion was the cutting of the pretty wedding cake, and the fun attached to watching how the ring, thimble and dime fell.

During the evening, Mrs. W. H. Turner, assisted Mrs. Joyner in serving a tempting salad course followed by nuts and mints.

Those enjoying Miss Fearrington's hospitality were: Misses Elizabeth and Faith Fearrington, Elizabeth H. Robinson of Fayetteville, May R. Moore of Smithfield, Mary Dickerson of Rutherfordton, Katherine Robinson of Fayetteville, Carrie Maddrey, Lizzie Roddick, Julia Cornelius, Messrs. A. B. Croom, J. T. Davis, Everett Lindsay, Eugene Simpson, James Maddrey, Dr. Carney Mimms and Mrs. Mimms, Mr. Horace Sebring and Mrs. Sebring.

Complimentary to the other guests who came for the marriage, and the officiating ministers, Dr. Fearrington and Mrs. Fearrington entertained at a prettily appointed luncheon at the Twin City Club.

Covers were laid for twelve and a most delightful luncheon served.

Those present were Mesdames Neal Anderson, T. A. Caudle, of this city; M. W. Adams, of McCall, S. C.; G. H. Croom, of Wilmington; Miss Josephine Ireland, of Faison; Dr. Anderson, of Raleigh; Dr. Neal L. Anderson, Dr. Wells, of Wilmington; Messrs. Grey and Fred Fearrington, and Dr. Fearrington and Mrs. Fearrington.

One of the prettiest of the many extended social courtesies extended to Miss Fearrington prior to her marriage was the rook party by Mrs. J. T. Cannon, of Concord, at the home of her mother, Mrs. Patterson, on Monday afternoon.

Decidedly pleasant proved the games, as hand after hand was played, the time passing too swiftly.

The hostess presented to Miss Fearrington a lovely hand-embroidered set of linen pillow cases. Suggestive of Washington's birthday were the attractive place cards, while the same idea was carried out in the delightful menu.

Those enjoying Mrs. Cannon's hospitality were the honor gues, Miss Elizabeth Fearrington, Misses Faith Fearrington, Bessie Robinson, of Fayetteville; May Moore, of Smithfield; Ruth Giersch, Grace Dry, Redford, Hoosey, Mabel Briggs, Carrie Maddrey, Mesdames C. S. Lawrence, V. M. Long, Thomas Patterson, Jr., J. H. Suttenfield, Thomas Cooper, J. H. Croom and Carney Memins.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Rev. C. N. Philips, of Scott's Hill, was a visitor in Wilmington yesterday.

—Mr. N. Y. Chamberlain, of Rocky Mount, is among the guests at the Orton.

—Mr. R. Long, of Durham, was a guest at the Hotel Wilmington last nuight.

—Mr. Albert D. Teachey, of Wallace, was registered last night at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Supt. W. H. Newell, of the Atlantic Coast Line, was a guest last night at the Orton.

—Mr. R. F. Williams, of Roseboro, was among the business visitors in the city yesterday, a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. L. E. Sandlin, who recently underwent an operation at Petersburg, Va., is recuperating at the James Walker Memorial Hospital.

—Messrs. Norman and Samuel Royall have returned to this city after attending the funeral of their father, Mr. W. N. Royall, at Florence, S. C.

—Friends of Mr. W. E. Perdew will be glad to learn that he has sufficiently recovered from an attack of fever, to leave for Pinehurst, N. C., where he will spend several weeks in order to entirely regain his health.

—Mr. L. T. Henderson, special representative of the Merchants' Mercantile Agency, publishers of the Credit Experience Guide, is in the city in the interest of this organization. His work has been endorsed by the president of the North Carolina Merchants' Association. He is a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Col. W. C. Langfitt, United States division engineer, accompanied by Captain Francis Wilby, arrived here yesterday from Savannah, in order to inspect the lock and dam, No. 2 at Brown's landing on the Cape Fear river. He visited the lock yesterday, and was accompanied by Capt. C. S. Ridley, in charge of the local office.

—Among the North Carolina arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: John P. Moore, Atkinson; E. L. Delameter, Raleigh; J. K. Powell, Whiteville; W. H. Heffner, Statesville; St. Julian L. Springs and F. B. Gault, Lake Waccamaw; G. E. Burwell and J. C. Gilmer, Charlotte; H. L. Smith, Raleigh; I. B. Mullis, Lumberton; W. E. Ewing, Fayetteville; George Ward, Wallace.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The British steamer Ramsay, Captain Mullan, master, of 2,768 tons, arrived in port yesterday from Huelva, Spain, with a cargo of pyrites, for Swift & Company's fertilizer works. The vessel is consigned to Alex. Sprunt & Son, agents.

—William Hawkins, colored, of No. 712 Brook's alley, reported to the police yesterday that thief visited his roost in the early hours yesterday morning and lifted therefrom a round dozen of his prize fowls. As the visitor didn't leave a visiting card, the owner of the chickens possesses no clue to his identity.

—James Missouri may be from Missouri, but this didn't keep him from getting in the hands of the police last night when Ethel Tugman preferred charges against him to the effect that she had been badly treated by him at her home at Tenth and Grace streets. He was arrested for assault by Officers J. O. Bullard and R. J. Thompson and locked up at the police station.

—The Wilmington Lodge of Elks, No. 532, B. P. O. E., will celebrate "Old Timers' Night" this evening. The object of the meeting is to arouse interest among members who have been inclined to be inactive in the past. A feature of the evening will be work by a degree team, and other features will include an appropriate address by an officer of the local lodge.

—An important meeting of the recently organized George Davis Camp, United Sons of Confederate Veterans, will be held at the W. L. I. armory tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. The call for the above meeting has been issued to members, and it is stated that the committee appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws, will make its report. All members are urged to attend.

—Members of the fire department were called out shortly after 8 o'clock last night to extinguish a blaze in an automobile at the garage conducted by W. D. MacMillan, Jr., at No. 119 North Second street. The blaze is reported to have started from a burning cigarette left on the seat of an old Saxon car, which has been out of commission for some time. It was put out without difficulty by the use of a chemical extinguisher. The seat of the car and its top were considerably damaged.

DEATH OF MRS. NEWTON.

Passed Away Last Night at Home on Wooster Street—Funeral Today.

Friends will be sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Sarah Wells Newton, wife of Mr. J. C. Newton, which occurred last night at 11:25 o'clock at her home, No. 606 Wooster street, after an illness of some time. She was 41 years old. The funeral will be conducted this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock from the Church of the Good Shepherd, of which she was a devoted member. The interment will be in Bellevue cemetery.

Surviving besides her brief stricken husband are her father, Mr. B. J. Bryan, Sr.; a sister, Mrs. Maude Newton, and one brother, Mr. B. J. Bryan, Jr.

CONFERENCE ON MISSIONS

Prominent Baptist Leaders to Make Addresses at Meeting of Laymen of Wilmington Association.

Rev. Dr. Walter N. Johnson, secretary of the State Board of Missions, and Rev. Dr. C. J. Thompson, field secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, will be the principal speakers at the regular monthly conference of the pastors and laymen of the Wilmington Baptist Association which will be held at Calvary Baptist church, this city, tomorrow afternoon and evening. It is expected that there will be quite a large attendance not only from the city but from the entire surrounding section.

The first session will be held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and the night meeting will begin at 7:30 o'clock. There has been no formal programme arranged as it is desired to make this really a conference, although, of course, the visiting leaders will make addresses explaining thoroughly what the church is undertaking to do in the way of missionary work both at home and abroad.

The holding of monthly conferences by the pastors and laymen of the Wilmington association was inaugurated last fall after the annual meeting of the association and they have proven to be of great help in bringing the different churches in closer touch with each other. Because this is the most convenient point they are held in this city.

This will be Dr. Johnson's first visit to Wilmington since his election to his present position. He has many friends in the city who will be glad to welcome him on this occasion.

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681	Pay Roll	Weekly	$ 1,316.65
682	Plate Ice Co	Ice	16.60
683	Pay Roll	Semi-Monthly	3,593.44
684	J. M. Hall	Expenses to Richmond, etc	60.00
685	J. Van B. Metts	Insurance	24.60
686	R. M. Parrott	Adding Machine Ribbons	2.00
687	Sou. Bell Tel. Co	Telephone Service	34.50
688	Worth Co	Feed	178.75
689	J. W. Blake	Electrical Supplies	18.94
690	Harriss T. W. Co	Printing	2.00
691	Geo. Harriss	Court Costs	16.90
692	C. C. Bellamy	Legal Services	209.96
693	Murchison National Bank	Note	300.00
694	Orrell Livery Co	Livery Service	4.00
695	J. G. Fulton & Son	Blood Hounds	300.00
696	Gamewell Fire Al. Tel. Co	Supplies—Fire Dept	44.38
697	Pay Roll	Weekly	1,333.84
698	Standard Supply Co	Supplies—W. & S	110.30
699	W. A. McGowan	Court Costs	7.70
700	Thos. D. Meares	Coupons	12,257.50
701	W. H. Blair	Freight on Blood Hounds	22.53
702	Huband Printing Co	Printing	5.50
703	Rob't Ruark	Court Costs	25.00
704	New Hanover Co	Court Costs	20.00
705	Pay Roll	Weekly	1,362.11
706	R. H. Hudleston	Repairs—City Hall	45.20
707	H. H. Sexton	Building Dog House	15.00
708	J. B. Davis	Sidewalk Construction	64.00
709	Pay Roll	Monthly	4,927.97
710	U. S. Mortgage & Trust Co	Commission	5.00
711	Policeman's Monthly	Magazine—Police Dept	3.00
721	Board of Health	Monthly Appropriation	1,473.40
713	Jas. Walker Memo. Hospital	Monthly Appropriation	833.33
714	Wilmington Red Cross Sanit.	Monthly Appropriation	125.00
715	Travellers' Aid Society	Monthly Appropriation	10.00
716	Murchison National Bank	Note and Interest	50,312.50
717	Barrett Mfg. Co	Road Oil—Street Dressing	940.65
718	E. T. Hancock	Refund—W. & S	5.78
719	Wilmington Star Co	Printing and Adv	8.76
720	Kidder Lumber Co	Rent—Disposal Plant	25.00
721	Carolina Municipal Ass'n	Yearly Fees	50.00
722	Jas. I. Metts & Co	Feed	254.50
723	Pay Roll	Weekly	1,343.11
724	Clark-Lynch Lumber Co	Lumber	42.21
725	C. W. Polvogt Co	Window Shades	14.50
726	Harriss T. W. Co	Printing	8.00
727	Moore-Davis Paint Co	Paint	48.40
728	Southern Sign Shop	Sign on Door	1.50
729	Atlantic Coast Line	Freight	145.30
730	H. L. Vollers	Supplies—Police	4.75
731	Southern Bell Tel. Co	Telephone Service	38.58
732	W. H. Blair	Office Incidentals	95.45
733	Northam Book Store	Office Supplies	6.00
734	C. C. Bellamy	Legal Service	312.90
735	Cape Fear Gravel Co	Gravel	53.80
736	R. J. Sykes	Repairs on Market	3.35
737	Boney & Harper Milling Co	Feed	213.75
738	Brown & Brown	Repairs	15.37
739	Postal Tel. Co	Telegrams	3.80
740	Queen City Cycle Co	Rent—Bicycles, Supplies, etc.	54.26
741	Wilmington Cycle Co	Rent—Bicycles, Sup., etc	10.00
742	Hodges Bros	Rent—Bicycles, Sup., etc	10.00
743	S. P. Cowan, Sheriff	Quarterly Water Analysis	16.00
744	Review Job Office	Printing	5.00
745	Gamewell Fire Alarm Tel. Co	Supplies—Fire Dept	74.90
746	Sterling Products Co	Supplies—Street Dept	48.00
747	Jackson & Bell Co	Printing, etc	24.00
748	R. R. Bellamy	Drugs—Fire Dept	2.20
749	H. L. Fennell	Auto. Supplies	3.90
750	Evening Dispatch	Printing, etc	4.50
751	Sam'l Bear, Sr., Sons	Supplies—Fire Dept	12.60
752	Pay Roll	Weekly	1,233.22
753	L. A. Bilbro	Repairs of Harness	5.50
754	Springer Coal Co	Coal	1,240.67
755	Tidewater Power Co	Street Lighting	1,814.14
756	Harold L. Bond Co	Supplies—W. and S	14.40
757	Morris Machine Works	Repair Parts	2.90
758	Wyoming Shovel Co	Tools—Streets and W. & S.	45.00
759	Glamorgan Pipe and Foundry Co.	Supplies—W. & S	11.70
760	Valvoline Oil Co	Oil—W. & S	39.38
761	J. W. Blake	Electrical Supplies	13.28
762	Roger Moore's Sons Co	Supplies	532.95
763	Cape Fear Machine Works	Supplies—W. & S	177.80
764	Hyman Supply Co	Supplies—W. & S	12.91
765	Independent Ice Co	Ice	3.40
766	Exide Battery Depot, Inc	Supplies—Fire Dept	1.43
767	Ford Auto. Co	Auto. Supplies	38.60
768	C. W. Yates & Co	Office Supplies	4.11
769	LeGwin Printing Co	Printing, etc	4.75
770	T. D. Piner	Auto Supplies	14.93
771	Gunn Disinfecting & Oil Corp.	Supplies—Police	6.00
772	Prease Sheet Metal & Pl. Co	Supplies and Repairs	6.25
773	W. D. Macmillan, Jr	Auto Supplies	3.75
774	Navassa Guano Co	Acids	1.64
775	Jno. S. McEachern Sons	Feed	1.50
776	Union Meter Co	Supplies	98
777	Hanover Iron Works	Repairs	40.00
778	Standard Supply Co	Supplies—W. & S	11.32
779	J. T. & J. O. Brown	Repairs	21.10
780	Mueller Mfg. Co	Supplies—W. & S	352.70
781	Levi Batson	Mules	300.00
782	W. H. Blair	Mr. Bradshaw, to Bowden	6.50
783	Wil. Stamp and Printing Co	Printing, etc	33.50
784	W. B. Thorpe & Co	Coal and Supplies	202.32
785	D. Quinlivan	Horse Shoeing	25.75
786	Thos. Quinlivan & Son	Horse Shoeing	35.15
787	Thos. B. Carroll	Professional Services	12.50
788	J. W. Murchison & Co	Supplies	21.88
789	Chadbourn Lumber Co	Lumber	64.35
790	C. S. Burnett	Repairs	4.50
	Total for Month		$89,340.21
	Total Previously		669,732.22
	Total to Date		$759,072.43

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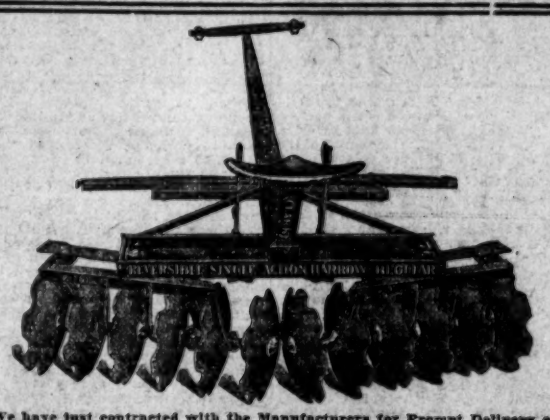

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THEATRICAL

Appetites are being whetted to a keen point in anticipation of the treat that is coming to the Victoria Family theatre next week, when its season of vaudeville-musical comedy is to be inaugurated. McGeorge's Overland Girls Company have been booked for opening week, a company of 12 talented stars of vaudeville who will present a combination of vaudeville and musical comery which Wilmington amusement public has never before seen.

A chorus of pretty girls, well gowned, is just one feature of the Overland Girls Company, with some of the newest dances and catchiest songs of the season. Shope and Mack, the former a black-face artist, are recognized as among the foremost comedians touring the South and add greatly to the show. Miss Edna Nelson, the sweet-voiced soprano, has made a hit wherever she has appeared. Mack and Mack (Marie and Red), another sketch team away above the ordinary now touring this section, present a sketch that brings many laughs. Then there is "Happy" Lawson and "Billy" Dean, another team that is making a hit in every city.

Three complete and different shows will be presented, an entirely new show Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The public should understand that every show to be booked at the Victoria has been thoroughly investigated and that every item will be clean and refined, a class of entertainment which Wilmingtonians have never before had the pleasure of enjoying.

Hazel Dawn at Royal.

If you have smiled unconsciously in response to the irresistible smile of Hazel Dawn, as she appeared before you on the screen in Famous Players productions in the past, her latest appearance in "My Lady Incog" which is on at the Royal today will be a revelation. As Nell Carroll in this thrill-inging comedy drama, Miss Dawn does the best work of her motion picture career, far eclipsing anything that she has ever done.

In addition to the far-famed Hazel Down smile and the personality that has enchanted her audiences, Hazel Dawn displays a snap and dash in her portrayal of the girl detective that is the biggest feature of the week at the Royal tomorrow.

Harold Lockwood at Grand.

Harold Lockwood, star of many great photoplays, is the headliner at the Grand today, leading in a great two-reel American dramatic feature, "The Man in the Sombrero," a story in which a picture hero proves himself a man in real life as well. Supporting this eminent star is pretty May Allison with Harry von Meter and William Stowell, one of the strongest casts ever seen in a two-reel production.

"Lucky Larry's Lady Love" is another one of those unique Falstaff comedy screams, starring Boyd Marshall, with pretty Louise Bates, also Riley Chamberlain, a small town comedy-romance with a laugh and a thrill such as are seldom seen in a single reel comedy-drama. It is a peach and a beautiful photographic art triumph all the way through.

"Vogue" comedies presents another knock-out, "Bungling Bill—Burglar" with a scream in every flash, detailing how a bad man causes a stir in a small community.

Tomorrow the fifth and greatest chapter of "The Girl and the Game."

"Flivver" at Bijou Today.

You all know "Flivver" If you don't you have missed lengthening your life by many years by not providing yourself with the enjoyment he has been furnishing on the screen for the past few months in the great "Flivver" Nestor comedies. "Flivver" in real life is Charles Evan, a celebrated English comedian, from the land of Billie Ritchie, Sammy Burns and Charlies Chaplin. And, in his style, he is fully up to all requirements.

The long and the short about it is that "Flivver" presents his first two-reel comedy at the Bijou today, entitled "Flivver, the Smoke Eater," a rousing knock-down and drag-out that will send you away in convulsions. It is a veritable scream from beginning to end and you don't want to miss a single line of it at the Bijou today. It is a peach.

Ben Wilson and Dorothy Phillips are seen in one of the strongest single-reel heart-interest features of the year. "One Who Passed By", a heart-interest drama that will appeal to every one.

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HAZEL DAWN

Bewitching Star of "The Pink Lady," to Be Seen at the Royal Today in "My Lady Incog."

captivating and delightful. Girl detectives are had to play on the screen without making them seem melodramatic. Therefore the wonderful performance of Miss Dawn, the bewitching star of "The Pink Lady", is all the more remarkable for the thorough artistry displayed by her interpretation of the exacting role.

"My Lady Incog" has all the thrill and suspense of the detective story, but with the added interest that charming Miss Dawn lends by a wealth of beauty and real histrionic ability to the leading role. It is a feature that should not be missed by a single patron of the Royal.

"The Primrose Path" Tomorrow.

There is one lavishly gorgeous set in "The Primrose Path" that alone would be enough to send any audience home enthusiastic. That is the stupendous cabaret and restaurant scene, in which hundreds of voluptuous women dance—without question the most remarkable scene of its kind ever presented in a clean and wholesome way in a photo-play production anywhere. Not only does the big cabaret scene overshadow 99 out of every 100 similar scenes ever filmed, but it is part of the logical development of the plot. It is not dragged in to strengthen a weak picture.

Starring in "The Primrose Path" is Gladys Hanson, one of the most beautiful women on the stage today, late leading woman with E. H. Sothern, and now playing in "The Ware Case" with Lou Tellegen on Broadway. It was written as a stage play by Bayard Veiller, author of "Within the Law." The story is one of a woman's supreme sacrifice to save the life of her husband. Of their drifting apart and of his discovery of the awful price she has paid.

"The Primrose Path" is fully up to "Within the Law," in strength, and not a patron of the Royal should miss it.

hit, "Wanted—A Piano Tuner," starring Gail Henry and William Franey. And remember, tomorrow, the final chapter of "The Diamond from the Sky."

VISITING IN GOLDSBORO.

Hon. Simon Wolf, of Washington, Makes Remarks on Preparedness.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Feb. 23.—Hon. Simon Wolf, of Washington, D. C., has been spending some days with relatives in this city, and calling on his round of city friends he gave Col. Jos. E. Robinson, editor of the Goldsboro Argus, the following statement in regard to the now interesting subject of preparedness:

"Tuesday was the anniversary of the birth of George Washington, the world's greatest man. Caesar, Hannibal, Napoleon were great, but none of them can compare with the aristocratic, Virginian. His work for humanity in creating this republic is more and more appreciated, his wise, sane and conservative statesmanship is still the text of all Americans. The builder of a nation stands side by side with its emancipator and saviour. Washington and Lincoln will go down the ages as types of democracy, which all nations can safely cherish and follow.

"In this hour of world peril the sage counsel of both these immortals should be treasured and never lost sight of. It is sad to be selfish when millions are being slaughtered for economic supremacy; but for us there is but one course—to preserve the republic of Washington and Lincoln and be prepared to maintain the priceless legacy of free government at all hazards.

"Let us all then ever resolve to be prepared to have peace with honor, a government of the people, for the people, by the people."

PREPAREDNESS IS DISCUSSED

Subject of Talks on Washington Day at University—Wilmington Man Heard.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 23.—Exercises commemorating Washington's birthday were held at the University Tuesday morning under the auspices of the Chapel Hill branch of the National Security League. The speakers for the day were Dr. J. M. Booker, permanent chairman of the Chapel Hill branch; Samuel Frothingham, of Massachusetts; J. E. Latham, of Greensboro; and Charles Loughlin, of Wilmington. Maj. William Cain, honorary chairman, presided over the meeting.

Dr. J. M. Booker, speaking on "The Father of Preparedness," showed how Washington advocated preparedness and how, through the broadness of his views, he seemed almost a contemporary. He read excerpts from some of Washington's speeches in proof of the assertion that the Father of His Country thought "to be prepared for war is one of the most effective means of preserving peace." "In these words we find something more than the mere recommendation of a president," declared Dr. Booker. "In them we find the warnings of a prophet. Universal peace as quickly as we can get it, but in the meanwhile, safety first."

"The Military Training Camp" was the subject of Mr. Frothingham's talk. It was, in reality, a simple and informal discussion of life at the Plattsburg camp. He told of the purpose of the training camp idea, and of its history and growth.

J. E. Latham, of Greensboro, spoke next on "Our National Morale." "America," declared Mr. Latham, "is the greatest country for co-operation in business but not in patriotism. We want to prepare this country to defend itself, not to be aggressive. We have lost the real spirit of patriotism in our haste to attain commercial prosperity. We should encourage such a patriotic spirit in our children by teaching them to sing the national anthems in our schools."

By showing the "Evils of Unpreparedness," Charles Loughlin, of Wilmington brought out very clearly the purposes for which the National Security League was established. According to Mr. Loughlin there are three aspects of preparedness—First, industrial; second, the arousal of a new national spirit; third, political and governmental preparedness.

TRINITY ARCHIVE OUT.

February Number Somewhat Smaller But Better Than Usual.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Trinity College, N. C., Feb. 23.—The February number of the Trinity Archive, which made its appearance from the press yesterday, shows improvement over former numbers in the quality of the material, but the number is somewhat smaller than most of the others that have been this year.

The list of contents is as follows: "Uncle Jack," poem by Mr. D. W. Newsom, of the class of 1899; "Globe Trotters—A Defense," essay, by M. G. Ellie; "The Forty-Ninth Time," story, by L. B. H.; "Modern Methods of Advertising" essay, by J. H. Burrus; "Lines Written on English V," poem, anonymous; "The Other Side," story, by "Eph. R. Vescent"; "A Baby Romance," story by W. K. Carr; A review of Arnold Bennett's "These Twain", by Lucile E. Baldwin, and the regular departments.

NEW STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Five Million Dollar Concern to Operate New York-Far East Line.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The exporting and importing concern of Gaston Williams and Wigmore, Inc., announced today the incorporation of a $5,000,000 company to operate a fleet of steamships flying the American flag. The company will operate boats between New York and Far Eastern ports. Six vessels have already been purchased, it was announced, two are building for the company and negotiations are pending for the purchase of others.

MAJOR DENIES REPORT.

That He is Preparing to Oppose Marshall for Vice-Presidency.

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 23.—Elliott Major, governor of Missouri to denied a dispatch from Little Rock, Ark., to the effect that he had asked information regarding the requirements for getting his name on the Arkansas ballot as a candidate for Vice-President.

The governor also declared he had not received any communication from the chairman of the Democratic State committee of Arkansas on the subject.

A TAUBE RAID AND ITS SIGNIFICANCE

(Continued from Page Four.)

among them the United States—act now as if the society of nations were already in existence and fulfill their duty to that society by helping to discipline the lawbreaker.

THEODORE MARBURG.

PUT CREAM IN NOSE AND STOP CATARRH

Tells How To Open Clogged Nostrils and End Head-Colds.

You feel fine in a few moments. Your cold in head or catarrh will be gone. Your clogged nostrils will open. The air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more dullness, headache; no hawking, snuffling, mucous discharges or dryness; no struggling for breath at night.

Tell your druggist you want a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream in your nostrils, let it penetrate through every air passage of the head; soothe and heal the swollen, inflamed mucous membrane, and relief comes instantly.

It is just what every cold and catarrh sufferer needs. Don't stay stuffed up and miserable.

SAYS HOT WATER WASHES POISONS FROM THE LIVER

Everyone should drink hot water with phosphate in it, before breakfast.

To feel as fine as the proverbial fiddle, we must keep the liver washed clean, almost every morning, to prevent its sponge-like pores from clogging with indigestible material, sour bile and poisonous toxins, says a noted physician.

If you get headaches, it's your liver. If you catch cold easily, it's your liver. If you wake up with a bad taste, furred tongue, nasty breath or stomach becomes rancid, it's your liver. Sallow skin, muddy complexion, watery eyes, all denote liver uncleanliness. Your liver is the most important, also the most abused and neglected organ of the body. Few know its function or how to release the dammed-up body waste, bile and toxins. Most folks resort to violent calomel, which is a dangerous, salivating chemical which can only be used occasionally because it accumulates in the tissues, also attacks the bones.

Every man and woman, sick or well, should drink each morning before breakfast, a glass of hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it, to wash from the liver and bowels the previous day's indigestible material, the poisons, sour bile and toxins; thus cleansing, sweetening and freshening the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach.

Limestone phosphate does not restrict the diet like calomel, because it can not salivate, for it is harmless and you can eat anything afterwards. It is inexpensive and almost tasteless, and any pharmacist will sell you a quarter pound, which is sufficient for a demonstration of how hot water and limestone phosphate cleans, stimulates and freshens the liver, keeping you

FINDS A CURE FOR PELLAGRA

Harvey, La.—Mrs. S. W. Spruiell, of this place, writes: "I suppose it will be a great pleasure to you to know that you cured my child. She had pellagra very bad and the doctor said she never would get well. She is well of pellagra and looks fine.

"You may use this letter as a testimonial, if you wish. Great benefit have you done my daughter, Mindie Abrams."

There is no longer any doubt that pellagra can be cured. Don't delay until it is too late. It is your duty to consult the resourceful Baughn.

The symptoms—hands red like sunburn, skin peeling off, sore mouth, the lips, throat and tongue a flaming red, with much mucus and choking; indigestion and nausea, either diarrhoea or constipation.

There is hope; get Baughn's big Free book on Pellagra and learn about the remedy for Pellagra that has at last been found. Address American Compounding Co., box 2097, Jasper, Ala., remembering money is refunded in any case where the remedy fails to cure.—Adv.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY of New Hanover:

By virtue and in pursuance of the power of sale in a certain mortgage deed made by N. E. Gallagher and wife, Katherine A. Gallagher, to Atlantic Trust & Banking Company, dated December the thirty-first, 1914, and duly recorded in Book 85, at Page 83, Public Records for this County, default having been made in the obligation secured by said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at Public Auction at Noon, on the 18th day of March, 1916, at the Court House door of this County the following described piece or parcel of land, lying and being in the State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover and City of Wilmington, to wit:

Beginning at a point in the Southern line of Chestnut street 50 feet Westwardly from the Western line of Fifth street, and running thence Westwardly with said Southern line of Chestnut street 47 feet 2 inches; thence Southwardly and parallel to Fifth street 66 feet; thence eastwardly and parallel to Chestnut street 47 feet 2 inches; thence Northwardly and parallel to Fifth street 66 feet to the beginning. The same being a part of the Eastern part of Lot No. 1, Block No. 131, according to the official plan of the said City of Wilmington.

Dated and posted this Sixteenth day of February, 1916.

ATLANTIC TRUST & BANKING CO., Mortgagee.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

The undersigned having qualified as Executors of the Last Will and Testament of Adam G. Latta, deceased, hereby give notice to all persons having cleams against said Testator to present the same to the undersigned for payment, on or before January 27th, 1917, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

Dated this January 26th, 1916.

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T. E. SPRUNT,
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NOTICE!

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of Henry T. Bauman, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are notified to exhibit the same before me on or before the 19th day of January, 1917, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 19th day of January, 1916.

E. LYDIA PESCHAU,
Administratrix.

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good. I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for *Special Instructions* on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-4o

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OOH!! HE HAS MONEY!
YES, I GOT GOOD NEWS. MY BROTHER IS COMING HERE FROM ALASKA. HE MADE MILLIONS IN MINING!
HE'S ALWAYS WELCOME IN NUTTYVILLE IF HE HAS PLENTY OF MONEY!
WELL, YOU SEE MODESTY COMPELS ME NOT TO SAY MUCH, EXCEPT THAT HE WAS ON THE YUKON FOR TEN YEARS AND AMASSED AN ENORMOUS FORTUNE, AND HE INTENDS TO SPEND IT IN NUTTYVILLE. MAKE A BIG HEADLINE, WILL YA!!!
THIS WILL MAKE A GOOD STORY. THE WHOLE TOWN WILL TURN OUT TO MEET YOUR BROTHER
TOMATOES
MAYBE HE IS NOT MARRIED!!
NUTTYVILLE
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MAYBE HE MISSED THE TRAIN, OR HE PROBABLY HAS A PRIVATE CAR!!
IT NEVER EVEN STOPPED!
GEE! WHAT'S ALL THIS CROWD FOR?
HULLO, CHESTY! DON'T YOU KNOW YOUR BROTHER? POWERFUL GLAD TO SEE YOU, I HAVEN'T HAD A SQUARE MEAL IN A MONTH!
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HOW MUCH IS YOUR CHICKENS
$2.00 SIR
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NOTHING SIR.
THEN BRING ME SOME BREAD AND GRAVY
READY ONE, TWO, THREE

EARLY HOME OF JOHN PAUL JONES IS TO BE RESTORED

(From The Christian Science Monitor.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 19.—The National John Paul Jones Association, the members of which are patriotic women from all sections of the United States, has acquired the Wiley Jones house and ground in Halifax, N. C., which for a number of years was the home of John Paul Jones, and from which he went to take a commission in the American navy.

The property acquired is part of the historic "Grove House" estate. The association now owns what is left of the house and about three acres of land.

In speaking of the plans of the John Paul Jones Association Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, of Salisbury, N. C., daughter of Senator Overman, of North Carolina, and who is one of the honorary presidents and secretary of the association, said to a representative of The Christian Science Monitor: "The association has members and regents in every state of the Union, and it is expected that almost every state will be represented here. Our next task is to raise $15,000 which it is estimated it will cost to rebuild the Jones house and place it in the shape it was when Paul Jones lived there."

Mrs. Gregory explained that while the structure is practically a crumbling ruin, enough has been rescued to permit of its complete restoration. Even pieces of the original wall paper have been found and preserved, and these can be produced. Much of the original furniture which was in the house when it was one of the great homes of North Carolina is still in existence, and has been promised to the association.

The patriotic work, part of which has been complete, is the result of tireless efforts on the part of a number of representative women of the South. Although Southern women originated and have carried to a successful conclusion the plans of preserving the early home of America's first naval hero, these women of the South feel that equal credit should be given to those loyal women of the North and West who aided. The John Paul Jones home is to be a national shrine in every respect.

Mrs. Gregory explained that much of the active work has been done by Miss Ursula Daniel, of Halifax, N. C., one of the honorary vice-presidents, who has been active not only to complete the purchase of the property but to get track of all objects of historic interest in connection with the place. The historian of the association, Mrs. William Owen, of Washington, D. C., has accumulated a great mass of information relating to the career and particularly the early days of Paul Jones which will be used to further the work of the association. Much of this information has never been published.

It was at Grove House that John Paul, as he had been up to that time known, publicly announced that he would henceforth be known as John Paul Jones in honor of his friend and protector, who for some years had entertained him in his own home treating him more as a beloved child than as a guest. It was on this occasion, also, that Wiley Jones presented John Paul with the beautiful sword which was used by the hero in some of the naval battles of the revolution. This sword is now in the office of Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels, in Washington.

Grove House, the seat of the Jones family in North Carolina, was built in 1764 by Wiley Jones. Much of the material used was brought from England. A visitor to Grove House when it was in good condition speaks of its beautiful location in the middle of a park of 100 acres. The house was of the type of architecture common in that section of the country at that period. At the front door one entered an ample hall containing a huge open fireplace. On either side were roomy wings used as chambers and in the rear an immense dining hall with another great hearth and lighted on the side by six long windows with a very large bay window at one end. This bay window was note-worthy in that it took up almost the entire side of the building. It overlooked a beautiful flower garden and beyond a wide open field with a circular race track, one of the most noted in the building were carved mantels in the South at that time. Throughout many rooms, wainscoting reaching almost to the ceiling, polished banisters and delicate finishings and carvings around the doors and windows. Beneath the entire structure was a capacious cellar.

The father of Wiley Jones was Robin Jones, agent and attorney for Lord Grandville. Robin Jones settled at Roanoke and soon rose to a position of wealth and distinction in the colony. Two of his children were Allen and Wiley. These boys were educated at Eton, England. Allen was afterward a general in the continental army in the Revolution. Wiley was president of the committee of safety for North Carolina and as such was acting Governor in the interval between the retreat of Governor Martin and the inauguration of Governor Caswell. He succeeded his brother Allen as a member of the Continental Congress in 1780 and was elected a member of the convention that formed the constitution of the United States in 1787 but declined the honor. He was a member of the convention that met at Hillsboro, July 21, 1788, to deliberate on the constitution of the United States and reject it. He was afterward a member of the Legislature from Halifax, 1776 to 1780, and again in 1788. Wiley Jones' wife was Miss Mary Montford of a noted colonial family.

The officers of the National John Paul Jones Association are: Mrs. Josephus Daniels, president; honory presidents, Mrs. George Dewey, Mrs. Donald McLean, Mrs. Matthew T. Scott, Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, honorary vice-presidents, Mrs. Robt. Lansing, Mrs. Wm. G. McAdoo, Mrs. Thomas W. Gregory, Mrs. Albert Burleson, Mrs. Franklin K. Lane, Mrs. David F. Houston, Mrs. William C. Redfield, Mrs. William B. Wilson, Miss Ursula Daniel; secretary, Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory; treasurer, Herbert Jackson, president of the Virginia Trust Company, at Richmond, Va.; historian, Mrs. William Owen

INVENTED CHEWING GUM

John Colgan, of Louisville, Was The Pioneer in America.

(From the Richmond Virginian.)

The death a few days ago at his home in Louisville, Ky., of Mr. John Colgan brings to mind the fact that he was the pioneer chewing-gum manufacturer in the United States. His business career in many ways was a remarkable one.

When but 19 years of age he began business in a small drug store in his home city. In the use of balsam in the preparation of cough syrups he conceived the idea of sweetening and rolling the tolu into sticks, which he gave away freely to his friends and customers. A few years later he was told by a traveling salesman of a large quantity of chicle, which had been imported by a druggist in New Orleans for experimental purposes, in the hope that it might be used as a substitute for rubber. When this was found impossible, the chicle was offered for sale and Mr. Colgan purchased the entire lot, hoping it could be used for chewing gum.

As a result of his mixture of the Balsam tolu with the chicle, the first chewing gum, as we now have it, was produced. The demand for this new gum was so great that the supply of chicle was soon exhausted and supplies in large quantities were ordered from Mexico. Other "chewing gum makers" soon began to use it also in their products and today over five million pounds of it are used in the United States each year.

Mr. Colgan, who was 72 years of age at the time of his death, spent his entire life in Louisville, and for many years was actively engaged in business in that city. He was a man of splendid personality, and his death is much regretted.

Look for "Electric Centre"

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Some time ago I was taken with Kidney trouble which caused me to give up my workk as a blacksmith, I lost my appetite and could not sleep, from the dreadful pains that would come over me, from my kidneys. I was treated by a physician for about three months. He could not help me so finally he prescribed Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. I started taking same and before I had finished taking the first bottle I began to eat and sleep better than I had in a long time. I continued to take same until I was entirely cured and took on considerable weight.

I am now back working at my trade again and never felt better in my life. I appreciate what Swamp-Root has done for me and will recommend it to anyone who suffers with their kidneys. When physicians fail to give relief and then prescribe Swamp-Root, they sure know of its merits. I am,

Very truly yours,
S. A. HALE.

State of New York, County of Monroe, ss.:

S. A. Hale, of Henrietta, N. Y., being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the person who wrote the foregoing testimonial letter to Dr. Kilmer & Co., and knows the facts stated therein to be true.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of July, 1909.

MORRIS T. GRIFFIN,
Notary Public.

Letter to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Prove what Swamp-Root will do for You

Send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample size bottle. It will convince anyone. You will also receive a booklet of valuable information, telling about the kidneys and bladder. When writing, be sure and mention the Wilmington Daily Star. Regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles for sale at all drug stores.

A BABY DOOMED

Will Soon Die of Tuberculosis Unless Rescued Quickly.

(State Board of Health)

Word has just come from an Eastern North Carolina town of a mother hopelessly sick from tuberculosis and her three year-old baby who has contracted the disease from her. The mother it seems contracted the disease from poverty and the child from her. The physician writes: "If the child could be given a better opportunity, he could get well, but the mother's condition, I think, is hopeless."

In these two sentences are texts for sermons. The hard cold facts confronting this mother and baby are, first, if their proverty brought them to this condition, they have not funds enough to go to a sanatorius to be cured. Even the minimum cost at the State Sanatorium is a dollar a day. Second, the State Sanatorium is filled to overflowing, and hundreds of consumptives are on the waiting list already. Furthermore, the mother is in no condition to go to a sanatorium to be cured. Even to a tuberculosis hospital.

The State has no such hospital, neither has that particular county. The baby should be rescued but there are no provisions for babies or children at the State Sanatorium, not even an open air school.

Hands went up in horror when the Bollinger baby was permitted to die and it was "sightless and dumb and unhearing." This, not a "defective baby, shut in a world of his own, but a conscious child who is hungry, or sleepy, or cold, or alone; a whole, sweet, confident baby, a baby with eyes and ears, who clings like a little soldier to the scanty hope of the years." And where are they who declared that a baby should be given a chance to live? And they who called the deed done to the Chicago baby a crime?

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illuminated tonight with the new 1,000 candle power Nitrogen lamps. Lights turned on at 6:30 p. m. —adv.

YOUR BRONCHIAL TUBES

When a cold settles in the bronchial tubes, with that weakening, tickling cough, immediate treatment is very important. The breath seems shorter because of mucous obstructions; usually fever is present, your head jars with every cough and your chest may ache. This is no time for experimenting or delay—you must get Scott's Emulsion at once to drive out the cold which started the trouble, and it will check the cough by aiding the healing process of the enfeebled membranes.

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Charleston, S. C., Feb. 23.—Captain A. Helmer Hanssen, of the steamer Noruega, who was reported by wireless as having died at sea February 21, shot himself, it became known today when the vessel arrived here. Captain Hanssen will be buried here and the Noruega will proceed immediately to Havana. The vessel was from Christiania and carried no passengers.

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ADVANCE IN COTTON MARKET

Sharp Rally is Followed by Reactions in Late Trading, But Close is Higher.

New York, Feb. 23.—A sharp rally featured the cotton market here today with May contracts selling up from 11.42 to 11.68 on covering of shorts and buying for a reaction. Realizing or renewed liquidation, howevr, caused reactions in the late trading with May closing at 11.61. The general list closed steady at a net advance of from 10 to 12 points for the day.

Liverpool was fairly steady over the American holiday, but the opening here showed renewed nervousness, with September one point higher, but more active months generally 3 to 7 points lower. Several months made new low records for the movement during the progress of the call with March selling at 11.18, July at 11.66 and October at 11.87.

There was a good demand at these figures with Liverpool a considerable buyer of July and October, and prices soon rallied on covering. Spot houses were persistent buyers of March at 25 points under May. Realising and some local selling on advances caused more or less irregularity, but the market reached the best point os tfeh day during the afternoon when March sold at 11.13, July at 11.88, December at 12.07, or about 16 to 18 points net higher on the general list. Unfavorable views of international politics may have helped to unsettle the market later and closing prices were 4 to 7 points off from the best, but much of the late selling was attributed to realizing by early buyers for a turn. Closed steady.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
March	11.19	11.14	11.18	11.37
May	11.47	11.68	11.46	11.61
July	11.68	11.88	11.66	11.82
October	11.87	12.07	11.87	12.03
December	12.02	12.21	12.02	12.17

Spot cotton steady; middling uplands 11.55; sales 500 bales.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 11.25; receipts 3,762; sales 2,840; stock 415,840.

Galveston—Middling 11.75; receipts 9,561; sales 200; stock 333,047.

Mobile—Middling 11.00; receipts 2; sales 235; stock 20,594.

Savannah—Middling 11.75; receipts 2,392; sales 977; stock 177,103.

Charleston—Middling 11.25; receipts 155; sales 300; stock 83,553.

Wilmington—Receipts 244; stock 51,042.

Norfolk—Middling 11.38; receipts 2,126; sales 414; stock 131,964.

Baltimore—Stock 4,649.

Boston—Middling 11.35; stock 12,600.

Philadelphia—Middling 11.80; receipts 70; stock 3,313.

New York—Middling 11.55; sales 500; stock 322,741.

Minor Ports—Stock 33,413.

Total today—Receipts 18,307; stock 1,594,859.

Total for week—Receipts 116,339; exports 86,279.

Total for season—Receipts 5,416,169; exports 3,338,079.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 11.60; receipts 4,179; shipments 5,103; sales 5,253; stock 170,667.

Memphis—Middling 11.56; receipts 942; shipments 2,526; sales 2,400; stock 275,606.

Augusta—Middling 11.50; receipts 1,370; shipments 1,162; sales 1,165; stock 170,927.

St. Louis—Middling 11.75; receipts 1,467; shipments 1,458; stock 17,779.

Cincinnati—Receipts 174; stock 16,817.

Little Rock—Middling 11.75; receipts 658; shipments 670; sales 670; stock 36,350.

Dallas—Middling 11.15.

Montgomery—Middling 11.13; sales 12

Total today—Receipts 8,780; shipments 10,919; stock 658,147.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 23. — Cotton: Spot, easier; good middling, 7.99; middling, 7.72; low middling, 7.38. Sales, 7,000; for speculation and exports, 2,000; receipts, 35,000.

Futures, very steady. February, 7.60½; February-March, 7.56; March-April, 7.55½; April-May, 7.53; May-June, 7.51½; June-July, 7.48½; July-August, 7.46½; August-September, 7.39; September-October, 7.33; October-November, 7.28½; November-December, 7.25½; December-January, 7.22½; January-February, 7.19½.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 23.—Cotton goods markets were strong today. Yarns were firm. Laces and embroideries were in good demand. Labor troubles are hampering textile production.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Feb. 23.—Sugar, raw nominal; centrifugal 5.05 to 5.08; molasses 4.28 to 4.31; refined, steady.

Coffee—Spot steady; Rio 7s, 9 1-4; Santos 4s, 10 1-8.

Butter—Strong.

Cheese—Steady.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

Market Closed at Net Advance of Ten to Twelve Points.

New Orleans, Feb. 23.—Moderately wide advances were recorded in the local cotton market today in spite of the recent belief in large tenders against March contracts on the first notice day, which is tomorrow. Support given the market by leading spot interests caused the bull element to become more confident and there was loss in liquidation of the near months.

In the early trading prices lost 7 to 9 points. On this decline, good buying developed and the market gradually rose until it was 21 to 26 points up from the lowest and 16 to 17 points over Monday's last quotations. The loss was at a net gain of 10 to 12 pts.

The ring was active throughout the session. Around the opening holders of long contracts were inclined to let go, but the buying of March became the most conspicuous feature of the trading and longs took courage.

Bearish features were slight rains over a part of the belt and the absence of exports in the movement for the day, but they had no influence on prices. Closed very steady. Closing bid: March, 11.46; May, 11.38; July, 11.44; October, 11.92; December, 11.97.

Spot cotton steady, unchanged; sales on the spot 1,875, to arrive 765. Middling 11.25.

BREAK IN WHEAT MARKET

In Some Cases Amounts to More Than 4¼—Weakness in Winnipeg and Liverpool.

Chicago, Feb. 23. — Wheat suffered a break today that in some cases amounted to as much as 4½@4¼, the result chiefly of weakness at Winnipeg and Liverpool. Closing quotations were unsettled, ¾c. to 1⅝c.@1½c. net lower, with May at 1.23¼ and July at 1.19⅝.

Corn gained ⅛@1c. to 1⅜c.; oats finished ⅛c. to ⅛c.@¼c. off, and provisions 10c. to 17½c. up.

Grain and provisions close:

Wheat—May, 1.23¼; July, 1.19⅝.
Corn—May, 78¼; July, 77⅞.
Oats—May, 46⅝; July, 44⅝.
Pork—May, 20.87; July, 20.85.
Lard—May, 10.45; July, 10.62.
Ribs—May, 11.57; July, 11.70.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.21½@1.23½; No. 3, red, 1.17½@1.21; No. 2, hard, 1.20½@1.23; No. 3, hard, 1.15¼@1.18⅝.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, 78; No. 4, yellow, 71@72½; No. 4, white, 71½@72.

MARINE.

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Str. Ramsay (Br.), 2,768 tons, Mullan, Huelva, Spain, Alex. Sprunt & Son.

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Str. Kiel (Ger.) 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

Wilmington, Feb. 23, 1916.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OIFFICE, Feb. 23, 1916.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—49½c

ROSIN—$4.80, large; $4.70, small.

TAR—$2.00-9c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$3.50, $3.50, $2.50.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 41c; rosin, $2.80; tar nominal; crude, $2.75, $2.75, $1.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine 8
Rosin 27
Tar 56
Crude Turpentine .. ..(—)

Receipts — Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, 5 casks; rosin, 22 barrels; tar, 162 barrels; crude turpentine, 2 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—11¼c. Quotations same day last year, 7⅞c.

Receipts—225 bales; same day last year, 874 bales.

Total receipts since August 1st, to date, 105,543 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 162,263 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Atlantic Coast Line—225 cotton; 56 barrels tar.

Str. Whitlock—8 casks spirits turpentine; 27 barrels rosin.

Total—225 bales cotton; 8 casks spirits turpentine; 27 barrels rosin; 56 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 23.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, 55c. to 60c. per bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$1.00.

CORN—$1.75 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c; good demand.

PORK—Small, 8@10c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 17c to 20c.; first class, 27c.

HIDES—Green salt, 12@13c; dry flint, 17@20c per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 18c.; sides and shoulders, 14c. to 15c. per pound, good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 35c head. Geese 55c to 60c per head. Ducks, 35c to 50c owing to quality. Turkeys, 18c per lb., alive.; 20c to 22c dressed.

EGGS—18c. dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co)

Wilmington, Feb. 23.—North Carolina Peanuts—Market weaker. Fancy hand picked, 75c.; No. 1 machine picked, 70c. per bushel.

Virginia Peanuts — Market weaker. Jumbos, 60c.; fancy hand picked, 55c. No. 1, machine-picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—Market weaker. No. 1, small, machine picked, 95c.; Jumbos, 85c. per bushel.

Receipts—Light.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 22.—Spanish — Farmers' stock; market, steady. First quality, $1.10 per bu.; green and dirty, 60c. to 75c. per bu.

Virginias—Farmers' stock, market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 4c. per lb.; fancy hand picked, 3¾c. per lb.; extra prime, 3½c. per lb.; prime, 3¼c. per lb.; shelling stock, 2½c. to 3c. per lb.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 23. — Hogs—Unsettled. Bulk, 8.25@8.55; light, 7.95@8.55; mixed, 8.15@8.55; heavy, 8.10@8.60; rough, 8.10@8.25; pigs, 6.50@7.60.

Cattle — Weak. Native beef steers, 6.55@9.50; stockers and feeders, 5.65@7.70; cows and heifers, 3.25@8.25; calves, 8.50@11.25.

Sheep — Unsettled. Wethers, 7.90@8.50; ewes, 5.60@8.20; lambs, 8.75@11.25.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Feb. 23 — Turpentine, quiet, 50½ to 51; sales, none; receipts, 88; shipments, 310; stock, 9,628.

Rosin—Steady. Sales, 9.86; receipts, 3,996; shipments, 1,942; stock, 57,320.

Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, 5.00; H, 5.05 to 5.15; I, 5.10; K, 5.40; M, 5.70; N, 6.00; W G, 6.26; W W, 6.50.

NOTHING DOING IN STOCKS

Sluggish and Meaningless Market Not Paralleled Since Last September.

New York, Feb. 23.—Today's sluggish and meaningless market has not been paralleled since last September, dealings barely aggregating 300,000 shares. These consisted largely of professional operations in speculative issues.

American Can, United States Industrial Alcohol, Mercantile Marine preferred, and Baldwin and American Locomotive were among the most active stocks. Can was moderately higher and American Locomotive rose 4 1-2 to 70.

United States Steel rose and fell within fractions of Monday's final figure and Mercantile Marine, firm at the outset, broke sharply in the final hour on rumors of further differences among the re-organizers. High priced specialties moved irregularly with a break of ten points in Bethlehem Steel at 470. The Du Pont Powder Company declared an "extra" dividend of 22 1-2 per cent on the common stock, the greater part payable in Anglo-French bonds to which the company was a large subscriber.

Sentiment was strongly inclined to lower prices but quotations were not materially impaired. Trustworthy advices told of a continuance of activity in the steel trade as well as additional advances in prices of various manufactured products.

Copper metal was lower in London, but was unchanged here. Trading in Anglo-French 5s at concessions featured the heavier bond market. Total sales, par value, aggregated 53,050,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	30¼
American Beet Sugar	70¼
American Can	62¾
American Car and Foundry	69¾
American Cotton Oil	B. 53
American Locomotive	70
American Smelting	100¾
American Sugar	112½
American Tel. and Tel	127¾
American Tobacco	B.192
Anaconda Copper	38¾
Atchison	103½
Atlantic Coast Line	B.109
Baldwin Locomotive	109
Baltimore and Ohio	86¾
Bethlehem Steel	470
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	86½
Canadian Pacific	169
Central Leather	54¾
Chesapeake and Ohio	61½
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	94¾
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry	18¾
Consolidated Gas	134½
Continental Can	81¾
Crucible Steel	79¾
Erie	26¾
General Electric	170
Great Northern, pfd	121
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	44¾
Illinois Central	103½
Interborough Consol. Corp	17¼
Kansas City Southern	25½
Lehigh Valley	77
Louisville and Nashville	B.121¾
Liggett and Meyers	B.252
Lorillard Co	198
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd	14¼
Missouri Pacific	5
Mexican Petroleum	105½
National Lead	67¾
New York Central	105
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	67¼
Norfolk and Western	116¾
Northern Pacific	113
Pennsylvania	57
Reading	78½
Rep. Iron and Steel	52¾
Seaboard Air Line	B. 16½
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	36½
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	57½
Studebaker Corp	146
Southern Pacific	99¾
Southern Railway	20¾
Southern Railway, pfd	B. 58¾
Tennessee Copper	58½
Texas Co	207
Texas and Pacific	8
Union Pacific	134
United States Rubber	52½
United States Steel	83¾
United States Steel, pfd	116¾
Utah Copper	85
Virginia-Caro Chem	47
Va. Iron, Coal and Coke	O. 57
Wabash, pfd., "B" Ctfs	26¾
Western Union	88½
Westinghouse Electric	66¼
United Fruit	144¾

EXPORTS FOR JANUARY.

Cotton Dropped More Than 40 Per Cent. Wheat Decreased.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Cotton exports for January dropped more than 40 per cent compared with the same month last year. Wheat exports decreased nearly 50 per cent, and exports of meat and dairy products increased appreciably. Department of Commerce figures made public today show that compared with January, 1915, exports of breadstuffs decreased from $55,000,000 to $27,000,000; wheat from 33 million dollars to $17,760,000; and cotton from nearly 60 million to 34 million dollars. Meat and dairy products increased from 28 million to 31 million dollars and mineral oils from $3,700,000 to $11,760,000.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 23.—Cotton seed oil was fairly active with prices making new high records on active demand from March shorts and fresh buying for long account, inspired by advancing crude, firmness in lard and cotton and rumors of a good export demand. Final prices were 7 to 12 points net higher. Sales 19,200 barrels.

Futures closed steady. Spot 9.85 bid; February 9.85 to 10.50; March 9.32 to 9.33; April 9.65 to 9.66; May 9.78 to 9.79; June 9.53 to 9.57 July 9.52 to 9.54; August 9.53 to 9.55; September 9.54 to 9.56.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Feb. 23. — Beeves—Easier Steers, 6.00@8.75; bulls, 5.00@7.50; cows, 2.50@6.50.

Calves—Steady. Veals, 9.00@13.00; culls, 7.00@8.50; barnyard calves, 5.00@6.50; yearlings, 4.50@6.00.

Sheep—Steady, 5.50@8.00; culls, 4.00@5.00.

Lambs—Lower, 9.50@11.75; culls, 8.00@9.00.

Hogs—Higher. Light to heavy, 8.30@8.85; pigs, 8.00@8.25; roughs, 7.25@7.50.

There are times when patience browes at fault.—Robert Browning.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 24, 1916.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 50 degrees; at 8 P. M., 60 degrees; maximum, 70 degrees; minimum, 46 degrees; mean, 58 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, 1.94 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday, 6 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Local rains and colder Tuesday; Friday probably fair.

The Port Calendar, February 24, 1916.

Sun rises .. ..6:47 A. M.
Sun sets .. ..6:02 P. M.
Day's length .. ..11 hrs. 16 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	1:29	1:39	8:57	8:17
Southport	11:14	11:32	5:37	5:45
Masonboro Inl.	11:03	11:41	5:17	5:25

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

February 23, 1916.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 p.m.
Abilene	pt cldy	68	38	.0
Asheville	clear	56	44	.01
Atlanta	rain	66	50	.64
Augusta	cldy	74	48	.0
Baltimore	cldy	58	..	.0
Birmingham	cldy	64	52	.46
Boston	cldy	36	30	.04
Charleston	clear	70	48	.0
Charlotte	cldy	66	42	.06
Chicago	clear	38	36	.20
Galveston	clear	76	64	.0
Jaxville	cldy	72	54	.0
Memphis	cldy	50	50	.32
Mobile	clear	60	56	.72
Montgomery	cldy	70	56	.88
N. Orleans	pt cldy	76	60	.02
New York	cldy	48	36	.0
Oklahoma	clear	54	34	.0
Palestine	clear	64	52	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	48	46	.08
Raleigh	clear	64	42	.0
Savannah	cldy	72	50	.0
Shreveport	clear	60	58	.0
St. Louis	cldy	40	36	.0
Washington	cldy	60	42	.0

WOULD TURN FORT JOHNSON INTO A NATIONAL PARK.

Godwin Introduces Bill—New Crop Reporter for State Appointed.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—M. L. Holloway, of Greensboro, has been awarded the contract for the construction of the surgeons and attendants' quarters and morgue at Key West, Fla., The buildings are to cost $22,120.

Representative Godwin has introduced a bill appropriating $50,000 to improve the Fort Johnson premises at Southport and turn the property into a National park.

Frank Parker, of Raleigh, has been appointed crop reporter for the State of North Carolina. Mr. Parker will succeed Col. John S. Cunningham, of Durham, who has held the position for a number of years. Colonel Cunningham is to be assigned to more important work.

Colonel Cunningham is said to have filled the position with greater credit than any of his predecessors.

P. R. A.

AUSTRIA THREATENS MONTENEGRO

Will Treat Little Country as Conquered if King Persists.

Amsterdam, Feb. 23, via London—A dispatch from Budapest quotes the Pester Lloyd as stating that the Austrian government has decided to treat Montenegro as a conquered country instead of one which surrendered if, after the lapse of a few days, King Nicholas insists on ignoring all inquiries addressed to him by the Austrian government.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 23.—Mercantile paper 3 to 3 1-4. Sterling, 60 day bills 4.71 1-2; demand 4.76 1-2; cables 4.77. Bar silver 57. Mexican dollars 43 1-4. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds heavy. Time loans steady, 60 days 2 1-2 to 2 3-4; 90 days and six months 3 3-4 to 3. Call money firmer; ruling rate 1 3-4.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States, for the Eastern District of North Carolina.

In the matter of J. Henry Hayden, Bankrupt. In Bankruptcy.

To the Creditors of J. Henry Hayden, of Wilmington, in the county of New Hanover and District aforesaid, a bankrupt:

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1916, the said J. Henry Hayden was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the United States Court room, in Wilmington, N. C., on the 6th day of March, A. D. 1916, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

GEO. H. HOWELL,
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NEW ORLEANS, LA. $25.65
On sale April 11, 12, 15, 16 and 17th. Limited returning Midnight, April 30th.

RALEIGH, N. C. $4.20
On sale February 28, 29 and March 1st. Limited returning Midnight, March 3rd.

ROANOKE, VA. $12.75
On sale March 12, 13 and 14th. Limited returning Midnight, March 21st.

MOBILE, ALA. $23.35
On sale February 28th to March 6th, inc. Limited returning Midnight, March 7th. Limit extended to April 3rd by payment $1.00. Tickets good for stop over.

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$23.35—Goldsboro, N. C., to Mobile, Ala., and return, account Mardi Gras Celebration, March 2nd-7th, 1916. Tickets on sale Feb. 28th to March 6th, inclusive, with final limit March 17th. Stop-overs permitted.

$23.35—Goldsboro, N. C., to Pensacola, Fla., and return, account Mardi Gras Celebration, March 2nd-7th, 1916. Tickets on sale Feb. 28th to March 6th, inclusive, with final limit March 17th. Stop-overs permitted.

$22.35—Goldsboro, N. C., to Tampa, Fla., and return, account Gasparilla Carnival, Feb. 6th-12th, 1916. Tickets on sale Feb. 3rd to 5th, inclusive, final limit Feb. 21st. Stop-overs permitted.

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DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. 5:30 A.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50. 11:59 P.M. Daily.
No. 64. 5:15 A.M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65. 6:15 P.M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.
No. 48. 7:30 A.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Parlor car, Wilmington to Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman service.	Daily. No. 49. 6.05 P.M.
No. 53. 8:45 A.M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. 8:00 P.M. Daily.
No. 62. 3:25 P.M. Daily.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 55. 3:45 P.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, August and Atlanta. Pullman cars between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59. 6:30 P.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. only.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. 10:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs., Sat. only.
No. 42. 6:45 P.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A.M. Daily.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect November 15, 1915.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave Front and for Winter Park	Leave Front and for Wrightsville	Leave... Front and for Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:26 A.M.	a6:15 A.M.	.....
a6:30 A.M.	a6:30 A.M.	a6:30 A.M.	a7:36 A.M.	a7:25 A.M.	.....
6:55 A.M.	6:55 A.M.	b6:55 A.M.	8:01 A.M.	7:50 A.M.	7:40 A.M.
a8:00 A.M.	a8:00 A.M.	.....	a8:41 A.M.	a8:30 A.M.	.....
8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	9:36 A.M.	9:25 A.M.	9:15 A.M.
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10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	11:06 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	10:45 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	12:36 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:15 P.M.
b1:00 P.M.	b1:00 P.M.	b1:00 P.M.	b2:06 P.M.	b1:55 P.M.	b1:45 P.M.
a1:10 P.M.	a1:10 P.M.	a1:10 P.M.	a2:01 P.M.	a1:50 P.M.	af1:45 P.M.
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c4:50 P.M.	.....	.....	5:36 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:15 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	6:11 P.M.	6:00 P.M.	.....
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9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	10:21 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:00 P.M.
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1:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	11:56 P.M.	11:45 P.M.	.....

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No. 13—4:00 P. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR, WILMINGTON TO CHARLOTTE.

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ARRIVAL OF TRAINS AT WILMINGTON:

No. 14—12:40 P. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON.

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TO REDEEM HARNETT IN NEXT ELECTION

Political Fight of Fine Proportions Foreshadowed.

Health Work in Cumberland—Democratic Club Organized—Bowling Tourney—Better Mail Service For Fayetteville—Other News.

(By Asa Biggs.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 23.—Harnett county will see one of the warmest political fights in its history, according to reports coming here from different sections of the county. Harnett, normally Democratic, went Republican at the last county election, and, the Democratic leaders declare that they are going to redeem Democracy in the county, both in the national and county elections.

The Republicans are equally sure that the Republican party will again be the dominating one, reports from several sections of the county say.

Congressman Godwin is reported to be warming up for a live candidacy this year. His friends say that he is going into the fight with greater vim and push than any of the other "Famous Sixth" aspirants to the Congressional honors.

Other candidates are all of the opinion that Harnett will see a warm fight this year, however, the Democratic candidates are feeling sure that Democracy will be redeemed in Harnett this year.

The health experiment, formerly announced in this correspondence, got well underway this afternoon when Dr. Bradley met a large delegation of local and Cumberland county ladies in the Rest Room at 4 o'clock and gave them a brief but concise outline of the work which the health bureau intends doing here.

In the near future other meetings will be held all over this county and discussions relative to better child raising will be heard.

Dr. Bradley stated that she was well pleased with the number that came out this afternoon, and the Civic Association was unusually optimistic.

The first of the Democratic clubs to be organized in this county was formed last night when about 30 Democratic voters met at Campbellton, Cole's store, and formed a club with an enthusiastic membership. The formation of the Democratic clubs in this county follows an order given here a few days ago by the chairman of the executive committee.

Fayetteville scored 482 points above Florence in a bowling match held here last night. The visitors came with an unusually strong aggregation, however, the local bowlers did not allow them to walk away with anything. This was the first tournament on a large scale to be held in this State, and was attended by more than four hundred persons last night.

Locked mail pouches on the Atlantic Coast Line's fast passenger trains from Washington, bound South, will give this section the finest mail service it has ever seen, Postmaster Underwood announced this afternoon. Prior to this time, a letter mailed in Washington later than 5 o'clock in the afternoon would not reach central North Carolina until late the next afternoon.

With the going into effect of the new service, a letter may be mailed in Washington as late as 9:30 at night and will then be received in Fayetteville and other central North Carolina points in time for distribution at 7:30 the following morning, declared Postmaster Underwood.

Newspaper reporters, solicitors and picture agents will get little sympathy at the courthouse here now if they decide to visit the Temple of Justice in an attempt at weaning a good story from the officers, or collecting a few shining shekels because a great big dog has been stationed on the doorsteps by one of the court officials. The official's small son sits on the steps, and, of course, when one of the reporters or solicitors starts to enter the building, he will stop to play with the little boy. To this the dog objects, and grabs the reporter or solicitor by the seat of the pants, a lively race follows and that is the last of said reporter or solicitor.

J. L. Roberts, big lumber manufacturer of Lillington, was in town today attending to some business. Mr. Roberts moved his big saw and planing mill plant to Lillington about a year and a half ago from Wake county where he had used up all the available timber. He stated to your correspondent that the lumber business in North Carolina was still a great industry, but was being greatly hampered by the European war.

"Three years ago," he said, "I was selling a large amount of lumber for shipment to Europe. Now I am selling none at all. A little of the North Carolina pine, which we manufacture ready for use, is being sent to South America, however, the transportation facilities are not such that will allow much shipment.

"At the close of the war there will be a great demand in the South for lumber to be shipped to Europe. Owners of large tracts of lumber can do no better than hold their timber until the war is over. Then they can demand their own price, for Europe will have to have lumber to reburn her ruined cities."

BULGARIA DETERMINED TO WIPE OUT SERBIA?

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hospital of Lady Paget at Uskup," says the Overseas News Agensy. "The letter was signed by Doctors Brokow, Tonat, Cornelius Webster, Robert Parsons, George Logan and Paters. In this letter the physicians refute the calumnies spread by Richard Schellens in regard to the Bulgarian troops.

"They express deep regret that an American should spread such untruths concerning a country in which they are permitted to move freely.

"The physicians state further that up to the present time they have not received one single proof of atrocities ascribed to the Bulgarians."

How to Give Quinine to Children. FEBRILINE is the trade-mark name given to an improved Quinine. It is a Tasteless Syrup, pleasant to take and does not disturb the stomach. Children take it and never know it is Quinine. Also especially adapted to adults who cannot take ordinary Quinine. Does not nauseate nor cause nervousness nor ringing in the head. Try it the next time you need Quinine for any purpose. Ask for 2-ounce original package. The name FEBRILINE is blown in bottle. 25 cents.

SAYS 10,000 ARE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE

Statement on Flood Situation by Mayor of St. Joseph.

Most of the Flood Sufferers in Northern Louisiana Are Negroes—People Think the Government Should Send Aid.

Natchez, Miss., Feb. 23.—Approximately 10,000 persons, mostly negroes, in the flooded district of Northern Louisiana are in need of assistance, according to Mayor M. Davidson, of St. Joseph. The negroes who conduct their own farms are reported to be suffering the most while comparatively few white planters are able to provide for their tenants.

Planters and citizens of Newellton, said Mayor Jacoby, over the telephone tonight, are of the opinion that government aid should be given the flood victims there, as it was a government levee at Buck Ridge that broke and inundated the surrounding country. A mass meeting was held there this afternoon at which this view was generally taken.

Captain Hurt, of the United States army quartermaster's corps, now at St. Joseph, was reported today as having said government aid was not necessary under present circumstances, as food and shelter had been provided for the flood sufferers from private sources.

Reports tonight generally indicated that temporary relief had been afforded, but that the situation was becoming more serious.

A vast lake from 15 to 25 miles wide and more than 40 miles long, embracing virtually all of Tensas, a large portion of Concordia and the low lands of Madison, Franklin and Catahoula parishes, has been formed by crevasse water from Buck Ridge and overbows of the Red and Black rivers.

The situation at Deer Park and Surget-Ashley, where all the land between the Tensas river and the Mississippi river line levee was reported flooded, was tonight declared to be as serious as in the Newellton district.

No Alarm at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Feb. 23.—Although concern was expressed by state engineers over the fact that the flood stage in the lower Mississippi river was being maintained for an unusual length of time, reports were also made that the levees along the entire stretch of the river from the Buck Bridge crevasse to below New Orleans were withstanding high water pressure splendidly. The situation was declared to be in no way alarming.

TENSION IN CONGRESS SO HIGH BUSINESS IS VIRTUALLY BLOCKED

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class as unarmed vessels and that the right of American citizens to travel upon them cannot be questioned.

The cabinet is expected to review the situation Friday, and, if it has arrived, to consider the German reply.

Democratic leaders will endeavor to prevent discussion of the question from breaking out at the Capitol tomorrow.

Representative Foster, of Illinois, has prepared a resolution to authorize the President to issue a proclamation warning Americans against boarding armed vessels of belligerents, which it was said he may offer from the floor. A similar resolution presented by Representative McLemore, of Texas, is before the Foreign Affairs committee.

Senator Gore has announced his intention of introducing a bill tomorrow which is far more drastic than suggestions made in the House and would prevent Americans from procuring passports without making oath that they would not travel on armed belligerent vessels.

Kitchin and Mann Confer.

Republican Leader Mann and Majority Leader Kitchin held an extended conference after the House adjourned tonight, but both insisted that they did not discuss proposed legislation on the subject.

The tense situation at the Capitol began to develop with the arrival of members in the morning and was accelerated when Chairman Flood, of the Foreign Affairs committee, Majority Leader Kitchin, and Representative Harrison, of Mississippi, held a conference in the majority leader's office. Simultaneously came word that a delegation of Missouri congressmen who favored the resolution had called on Senator Stone and insisted that a vote of the two houses be taken on it. The floor buzzed with rumors of an impending outbreak from the advocates of the resolution.

Representative McLemore, author of the resolution now before the committee, Chairman Webb, of the Judiciary committee, and Representative Heflin, of Alabama, were centers of groups seeking information. The cloak rooms fairly hummed with conversation while members rushed on and off the floor.

Kitchin Confers With Clark.

A rumor that Chairman Flood had promised McLemore a hearing on his resolution and another that the resolution would be reported soon created a wave of excitement. Members hastened to Mr. Flood only to find the reports were untrue. When the conference in Mr. Kitchin's room ended the majority leader hurried over to Speaker's Clark's office to consult with the Speaker.

Later while Representative Flood was discussing the situation in his committee room, the telephone bell rang and as Mr. Flood responded he asked every one to retire. It was President Wilson calling.

"The President, too, had heard a report that we were going to report the McLemore resolution," he said later. "I told him there wasn't a chance of us doing that."

Some members of the committee said later that the general opinion in the meeting was that the issue of armed merchantmen was not worth going to war over. They advanced the argument that if it came to such a clean cut issue as this between the House and the President the resolution was certain to pass.

W. A. MARTIN IS DEAD.

Maine Man Dies of Injuries Received in Seaboard Wreck

Richmond, Va., Feb. 23. — W. A. Martin, of Houlton, Me., president of the Houlton Trust Company, died in a local hospital tonight of injuries received in the wreck of a Seaboard Air Line train at Kingsland Creek, near this city, on last Thursday.

WHY NOT A NAVAL STATION?

Senator Overman Writes That Another Aviation School is Not Practicable at the Present Time.

Senator Lee S. Overman has written the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce that since there is already an aviation school near Pensacola, Fla., that Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels does not think that another in the South would be practicable at the present time. Senator Overman had introduced a bill in Congress authorizing an appropriation of $200,000 for the school. Wilmington had already begun to lay plans to secure the school, in the event that it was established. The bill provided that it should be located on the North Carolina Coast.

Capt. E. F. Bailey and others have been working for some time to secure a naval station for torpedo boats, torpedo boat destroyers, submarines and other small naval craft at this port. They believe that it would be an entirely feasible proposition. They have taken up the matter with the Secretary of the Navy.

Now that Senator Overman's letter definitely disposes of the proposition for securing an aviation school here, it is likely that more strenuous efforts will be made to get the naval station for small craft.

There is plenty of deep water here for such a station, and the facilities for making repairs could be built at small cost. Wilmington is located well inland and would make an ideal place in which the smaller boats could come for supplies as well as for repairs. Such a station would mean much to the city.

KOREA CALLED IN VAIN TO AMERICA

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will use their good offices when occasion occurs."

Pressed by Japanese.

In October, 1905, Edwin V. Morgan, minister to Korea, cabled:

"The emperor confides in me that the Japanese are pressing him to arrange a protocol. Although unwilling to do this, he may ultimately be constrained to agree. He desires particularly retaining the present right of direct relations with foreign powers."

The correspondence closes with the letter, December 19, 1905, from Secretary Root to Min Yueng Tchan, special envoy, without credentials, which already has been made public. The Korean envoy had informed the State Department that the Japanese agreement had been obtained from the Korean emperor under duress. Mr. Root in his reply said:

What Root Said Then.

"I feel bound to advise you that the government of the United States does not consider that any good purpose would be subserved by taking notice of your statements."

The treaty of 1883, then in force between Korea and the United States, included in the correspondence, provided:

"If any powers deal unjustly or oppressively with either government, the other will exert its good offices, on being informed of the case, to bring about an amicable agreement, this showing their friendly feeling."

WILL NOT DISCUSS NATION'S DANGERS IN "OPEN" SESSION

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energy of 6,166,448 foot tons and a total broadside projectile weight of 792,906 pounds; while Germany's total muzzle energy was 5,474,858 and broadside projectile weight 196,072 pounds.

"If the best measure of the strength of our fleet is in its gun power," he said, "then we've got a stronger navy than Germany, have we not?"

"It depends on how the guns are mounted or carried," Admiral Badger replied. He pointed out that some foreign navies employed many swift cruisers with comparatively heavy guns which a single ship with a far lower total gun power would sink in a few hours of combat.

Compared With France.

Representative Callaway sought also to show that France was far behind the United States in gun power. Admiral Badger said France was building four ships to carry sixteen 13.4 guns each mounted four to a turret. When completed they would give her a total of 136 guns of this size, while the United States would have afloat at about the same time eighty 14-inch and eighty 12-inch. The new French ships, he said, would be the most heavily armed in the world, but he thought it a mistake to have placed their guns four to a turret. A fourth of their power would be lost, he said, if a single turret were damaged.

Admiral Badger refused to give for publication his opinion as to the time it would require to get the United States fleet ready for action against a class power. His attention was called to a statement to the committee last year by Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, that it would take five years. He said he did not agree with that calculation, but preferred to discuss the subject later in executive session.

Military Committees Busy.

While the navy committee was gathering information, both the Senate and House Military committees were struggling with details of the army part of the preparedness programme.

The Senate committee virtually completed its preliminary review of the measure to be drafted for the regular army, agreement being reached upon its main feature.

The bill will provind for a peace strength standing army of 175,000 men as against 135,000 proposed by the House bill under consideration. A war strength will be fixed at 225,000. A seven-year enlistment, three with the colors and four in the reserve, will be expected to provide the men to fill up the regiments for war service. Under this plan the soldier could be discharged into the reserve at the end of one year if found efficient and can optionally go into the reserve at the end of two years if he desires.

The Senate bill follows closely the plan of 1912, devised by the Arm War College after an exhaustive study. Details of organization suggested by the department this year, however, will be worked out in the measure which is in reality a complete reorganization of the land forces. The committee will begin at once devising its own plan for federalizing the National Guard.

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Loans and Discounts		$1,738,012.74
Real Estate		46,172.32
Overdrafts		4,155.12
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures (American National Bank)		45,862.65
U. S. Bonds		270,000.00
Bonds and Securities		135,278.50
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Stock in Federal Reserve Bank		9,000.00
Due from Banks and Bankers	$467,071.52	
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Total		$2,864,314.03

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Capital Stock (American Bank & Trust Co.)		$ 50,000.00
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Capital and Surplus (American National Bank)		287,500.00
Circulation (American National Bank)		250,000.00
Special Bond Account		45,000 00
Bills Payable and Rediscounts		135,000.00
Reserve Account		20,000.00
DEPOSITS:		
Banks	$ 874,862.79	
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